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Four top hospitals face closure

BY JEREMY LAURANCE **HEALTH SERVICES** CORRESPONDENT

FOUR London teaching hospi tals cannot survive in the NHS market and must either dose or change their function, the Tomlinson enquiry into the future of the capital's health services has decided.

The four - St Bartholomew's, St Thomas's, University College and Middlesex, and the Charing Cross at Hammersmith in west London - cannot attract enough contracts from health authorities to treat

The enquiry, set up ten months ago by William Waldegrave, the

former health secretary, confirms the worst fears for the future of some of Britain's most famous

St Bartholomew's has stood on its site in Smithfield for nine centuries. St Thomas's, where Florence Nightingale founded Britain's first nursing school, pre-dates the House of Commons across the

The four hospitals are the likely victims of the high costs of health care in the capital and an excess of beds. An average case in a London teaching hospital costs more than £1,000, almost twice as much as the national average. In the market system, without sufficient contracts the four do not have the income to

in a striking change of tone, the

vigorously opposed the health ser-vice reforms, said it would cooperate with the enquiry's recommendations and would not oppose closures.

I am quite certain some consultants will fight but we won't join that fight," said Dr John Chawner, chairman of the consultants' committee. "The problems of over-provision in London have been apparent for some time. We have always argued that if institutions have to be closed, and in some cases they will be, it should be done in a planned way by the secretary of state and not as a result of the market." He noted that consultants estimated that up to 700 consultants' posts could go in the London shake-up.

deal with the paradox that Londoners get a worse health service than the rest of the country in spite of its

Specialist services, which few need, are provided at the expense of routine services which many need but cannot get. The enquiry has decided that, to secure the future of the specialist services, some must be pruned so that the rest may

The enquiry report, to be delivered next month to Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary. will emphasise that each of the four hospitals has departments and services that are worth preserving. It will set out options for saving the best departments and making the best use of the better sites. It will

also recommend mergers of some of the special hospitals, such as the Royal Marsden cancer hospital and Moorfields eye hospital, which are currently outside the NHS market but are due to become part of it in in 1994.

The final decision on closures will be taken by Mrs Bonomley. The details will be worked out by a task force, already announced by the health secretary, set up to take the Tomlinson recommendations

All four of the hospitals have already admitted that they are fac-ing difficulties. The St Bartholo-mew's group of hospitals has forecast a deficit of £12.2 million this year and cuts are planned in

every department.
The Middlesex and University

JEROME DELAY

College hospitals, which have London's smallest local popula-tion, are facing a deficit of £14 million. About 200 jobs are being cut. A similar number of jobs are to be lost at Charing Cross and Westminster hospitals, which are facing a £4 million deficit.

St Thomas's and Guys hospitals are also facing deficits on their contracts and are in competition with King's College hospital near by. The Tomlinson panel has conuded that only two out of three of them can survive. King's has the largest local population and is thought safe on that account. Guys has been the government's flag-ship, leading the health service Continued on page 16, col 6

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Owen is

shocked by

Yugoslav

carnage BY TIM JUDAH

IN BELGRADE AND **OUR FOREIGN STAFF** A SHAKEN Lord Owen, get

ting a first-hand view of the damage in the former Yugo-slavia, yesterday said: "It's worse than I expected. You

see the whole wanton destruc-

tion, tower blocks shot to

smithereens, and you realise

so much of it has come from

on top and not from street

Wearing blue flak jackets and United Nations helmets.

Lord Owen and Cyrus Vance.

co-chairmen of the joint

European Community and

UN peace conference on Yugoslavia, arrived in Saraievo

in a UN armoured personnel

carrier. Sniper fire reverber-

ated around the UN building

and artillery boomed in the

Bosnian capital's southwest

suburbs near the airport.

Lord Owen said that by travelling overland for five-and-a-

Herzegovina's hills he gained

some idea of the difficulties

the UN faced in mounting

Asked what the UN could

do to ease Bosnia's torment.

Lord Owen replied: "The

United Nations has limits on

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land convoys to the city.

ANC agrees to summit meeting with de Klerk

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

THE African National Congress last night stepped back from the brink and agreed to a summit meeting between Nelson Mandela, its president, and President de Klerk. After a two-day meeting of their working committee the ANC said that such a meeting "could have some merit if it were to address the problem

Cyril Ramaphosa, the secretary-general of the ANC, said that the summit "would be a disaster for the country as a whole if it failed to produce concrete results". Therefore, he said, the summit must be preceded by thorough preparations. Although Mr Ramaphosa refused to spell out in detail what he tions" to be, he made it clear that they should be significant steps towards the release of those political prisoners the movement claims are still behind bars, and towards implementing the recommendations of the Goldstone commission on the migrant worker hostels which have figured largely as a source of

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township violence. The commission of enquiry led by Justice Richard Goldstone, investigating violence and intimidation, has proposed that the hostels should be fenced, that they be guarded by security forces and that they should be regularly

The thorough preparations towards the summit will be agreed through a channel of contact which has remained open between the government and the ANC, a series of confidential meetings between Mr Ramaphosa and Roelf Meyer, the minister of constitutional development. "We are ready, willing and able to meet tomorrow or the day after tomorrow," Mr Ramaphosa said, to embark

on these preparations.
The idea of a summit meeting to discuss the violence was mooted by Mr de Klerk on Wednesday after an all-day cabinet meeting which discussed the aftermath of the Bisho killings in which at least 28 people were killed when troops of the Ciskei opened fire on a huge ANC march attempting to break into the so-called independent black homeland to call for the dismissal of the Ciskei

Births, marriages.

military government. Mr that there had been reports of a number of clandestine burials of bodies in paupers' graves by troops of Ciskei in the night following the killings, which might indicate that the death toll was significantly higher. "We have families who are missing next of kin who are not yet recorded as having died or being in he said, adding hospital." that the local ANC officials were urgently enquiring into the reports.

The removal of Brigadier Joshua "Oupa" Goozo, the head of state of Ciskei, was "firmly on the agenda", Mr Ramaphosa insisted, but he did not make it a precondi-

Mr Ramaphosa also welcomed the move by R.F. "Pik" Botha, the foreign minister, to summon a special envoy from the United Nations, repeating that the arrival of the former US Secretary of State Cyrus Vance last month had been a victory for the people of the country.

The ANC also announced last night that they planned a series of actions both regionally and nationally to coincide with next week's funerals of the victims of the Ciskei killings. Though no details were given, the ANC statement said that the organisation "views with serious concern the lack of free political activity in many parts of our country. The statement specifically named Ciskei, Kwa-Zulu and Bophuthatswana as cases in point.

• Township strife: Violence erupted in the black township of Ratanda, southeast of Johannesburg yesterday, with police and the ANC reporting that homes had been set on fire in an early-morning raid. Police said one person had been killed in the attack, but the ANC said two township

residents had died. The ANC initially claimed that the attack had been conducted by supporters of the Inkatha Freedom Party, living in a nearby hostel for migrant workers. However, the ANC said it would not issue a definitive statement until a regional official had visited the township. (AFP)

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Peacemaker peer: Lord Owen, in helmet and flak jacket, on his way to a meeting in Sarajevo yesterday

Major tells CBI to bite the bullet

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

JOHN Major told British industry last night to "bite on the bullet" of a tough antiinflation policy. The prime minister also ruled out calls from some business quarters for a devaluation of the pound, saying that would be-

tray the future. Britain would stay in the exchange rate mechanism of the European monetary sys-tem whatever happened. He told the Scottish CBI in Glasgow: "As we have seen in Scandinavia this week, it is a

cold world outside the ERM." In a further message to the markets. Downing Street yesterday said that, even if other currencies were devalued against the Deutschmark after France's Maastricht referendum, Britain would keep the pound at its DM2.95 level within the ERM. If that necessitated a rise in interest rates, they would rise.

on the economy, Mr Major repeated the insistence of Norman Lamont, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that "there is going to be no deval-

Setting out his personal credo on the economy, the prime minister went on: "All my adult life I have seen British governments driven off their virtuous pursuit of low inflation by market problems or political pressures. I was under no illusions when I took Britain into the ERM. I said at the time that membership was no soft option. The soft option, the devaluer's option, the inflationary option, would be a betrayal of our future and it is not the gov-

emment's policy."
Dismissing critics as "quack doctors peddling their wares", he said: "Miracle cures simply don't work -never have, never will." Mr Major has told close

Doleful Maxwell goes looking for a job

colleagues that he is prepared to risk his career in pursuit of making Britain's a low-inflation economy, whatever the pain involved, and that he sees ERM membership as crucial to that aim. Last night he rold the Scottish businessmen: "All too often in the past the solution was the same, to let the exchange rate go. And every time, sooner or later, the result was the same: rising import prices, rising wages, rising inflation and a long-

ain's competitiveness which offset any short-term gain." The 14 per cent devaluation of the pound in 1967, he said, led to no more than a brief flurry of increased competitiveness while inflation doubled over the next year. Halving the pound's external value since the 1960s had failed to gain any competitive advantage for Britain.

low inflation would not be quick or easy, and there was term deterioration in Britsome way to go. Britain's inflation rate was still above that of France and Germany. and more than half its exports went to countries with lower inflation than ours. "So we must bite the anti-inflation bullet or accept that we will be

for ever second-rate in Europe," he said. The mark, he insisted, was

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pre-eminent in exchange

markets because it had an

anti-inflation record and

maintained its value. Those who wanted freedom from its

influence could best get it from matching its anti-infla-tion record. "That is what we

Warning industry that he

would not be heeding pleas for any short-cuts. Mr Major

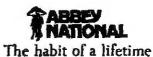
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are determined to do."

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Maxwell: handy about the house and garden

THERE cannot be many people who arrive at Oxford's dole office in a silver Mercedes, looking for a job that might suit someone with heaps of experience as a director of an allegedly fraudulent and arrive and arrive and arrive and arrive and arrive arrive. multi-million pound company, and preferably carrying the sort of salary that could help pay off debts of £406.5

Stand up Kevin Maxwell Or, sit down and somebody will attend to you shortly. Opening another chapter in his riches-to-rags life, which is unfolding like a Martin Amis novel, Mr Maxwell turned up yesterday morning only to find that he had blundered again: he had located the disused DHSS office. Turning once more to the police, he asked a bobby for directions to the new Jobcentre, where he had a 15-minute interview with a

He was quizzed about his income,

debts and eligibility for state benefits, but it is not clear whether be signed on. The Jobcentre said: "We can't tell you

anything. All our customers are entitled to confidentiality."

There was a wide choice of advertised jobs that might have tempted Mr Max-well. What about: "Sales associate with financial services agency. Commission only. Duties will include helping people with finances, eg pensions, life insurance and mortgages. Training will be given"? Or perhaps a financial consultant with an Abingdon company, salary of £3,000 plus commission: must have own phone, car and be of "good

appearance"? After his brief chat, Mr Maxwell went to London on business. His wife, Pandora, said at their home in Hailey. Oxfordshire: "If he's been to the Jobcentre, I'm pleased to hear it. I

expect it was to sign on.
Of course he would like to find him-

self a job, but who would employ him? Would you employ him? No doubt we will get lots of crank calls from people offering him jobs washing up and so on, but I don't think he'll take them seriously and neither will the Jobcentre. "He would very much like to work, but

at the moment I think he's effectively unemployable. If he could find a job to fit in with his meetings and interviews with the police and various authorities, then I'm sure he would consider it seriously, but he really hasn't got the time

right now.
"He's a very well qualified man and has a great deal of experience. I am sure he would be a valuable asset for someone if they would only give him a

"He's very good at mowing the lawn and I've got some shelves I want him to put up. Maybe he should consider be-coming a jobbing gardener and handy-

Only 1 in 10 repossessed families listed as homeless

BY RACHEL KELLY, PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

ONLY 10 per cent of families whose homes are repossessed are officially listed as being homeless, according to figures for England published vesterday by the environment department. Fewer than 3,500 families became homeless because of mortgage arrears in the second quarter of the

The single most important reason for homelessness was not repossessions, but parents no longer able or willing to accommodate their children's families. This accounted for 10,000 households becoming homeless, 29 per cent of the 34,840 families which were accepted as homeless by local

Sir George Young, the housing minister, said the figures were evidence that the government's December rescue package to help families facing repossessions was beginning to make an impact. It would appear that the arrangement made between the government and the building societies agreed last December is beginning to work." More than 35,700 home-

owners were repossessed in the first six months of this year, according to the Council of Mortgage Lenders, and more than 305,000 borrowers were at least six months in

Ministers also pointed to the fact that the number of repossessions has fallen by nearly 1.000 in the first six months of

this year compared to the

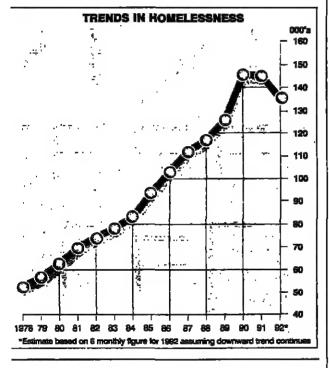
same period last year. A spokeswoman from the pressure group Shelter said people whose homes had been repossessed were often not accepted as homeless because many were not families with

needs that took priority. They were often recorded under a different category, she said. "Often such households break up, and this would be given as the reason for homelessness.

Often those who have been repossessed bed down where they can for a bit, and only later go to local authorities as a last resort."

Ministers welcomed a decrease in the numbers of people accepted as homeless. The numbers of homeless families has been going up since 1978, when 53,110 families were accepted, and has remained at about 145,800 for the last two years. But nearly 4,000 fewer families were accepted as homeless in England in the second quarter of this year than in the

first quarter, a significant fall. In the second three months of this year, 11,080 families were housed in bed and breakfast accommodation. compared to 13,300 last year. The 73,310 families accepted as homeless by local authorities in the first six months of the year represent a drop of 1,000 families compared with



Photographers barred as palace retaliates

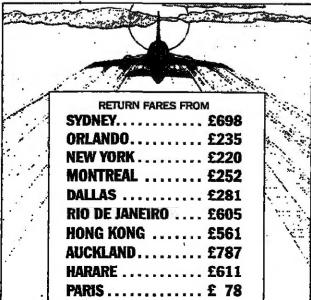
BY ALAN HAMILTON

IN A gesture of retaliation against photographers who pictures of the royal family in unguarded moments, Buckingham Palace has refused accreditation to eight cameramen to cover the Prince and Princess of Wales's official visit to Korea in November.

The seven freelance still photographers and one freelance television cameraman took unauthorised pictures of the princess swimming in the British ambussador's pool in Cairo last May. The princess was reportedly furious.

The Prince of Wales's office of accreditation, which means denial of facilities and access to pre-arranged picture positions, covered only the individuals, not the organisations they represented. The television cameraman was working for ITN, and the still photographers for agencies.

Palace sensitivities have been sharpened by the recent hotographs of the Duchess of York on holiday with John Bryan, her so-called financial adviser. Officials have taken action on this occasion because they know the photographers involved and because, they say, the Cairo pictures were taken by looking into private property. "It was tanta-mount to putting a camera over somebody's garden wall,"



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Keeping time: two players bridging the 40 years of the BBC Concert Orchestra. which will be celebrated in a concert broadcast live tonight on Radio 2. The ing yesterday, while the harpist Margaret Morgan is shown in the early

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bought from touts will not be accepted.

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Council top ten may not appear

By Douglas Broom LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

IDENTIFYING Britain's best council may remain impossible in spite of citizen's charter plans to publish league tables of municipal efficiency, the local govern-ment watchdog said yesterday.

Announcing plans to measure local authorities against 152 "perfor-mance indicators", the Audit Commission said that a single success rating for each council might never be achieved. Each of the 152 perior mance measures is based

on a simple question about council services, ranging from the speed with which town hall telephones are answered to the number of black policemen on the beat. At present there is no agreed basis for assessing the performance of councils, ulthough at least half the figures which will be published under the new system are already collected by councils.

Labour council leaders said the indicators were likely to mislead and singled out the decision to use crime detection rates, whose reliability has been questioned, as evidence of the inadequacy of the proposed system.

Margaret Hodge, Labour vice-chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said national indicators could never allow the quality of local services to be mea-

sured effectively. She said: "Too many of the indicators are crude measures of cost per head. You cannot expect accountants to be able to measure quality."
Peter Brokenshire, the

acting controller of the commission, said the point of the exercise was not to set standards for councils to meet but to provide a common basis on which to assess their performance. The figures will be published in the autumn of 1994.

Health chiefs 'squandered £2.5m on efficiency drive'

By CRAIG SETON

THE West Midlands regional health authority was accused yesterday of wasting 52.5 million on a consultancy contract designed to find efficiency savings. It had involved £350,000 of consultants' expenses that over a year included leasing houses in London for American executives and their wives, hotels in Birmingham, the hire of aircraft to come to work and lavish entertaining, including

dinners with expensive wine. Within hours of the highly critical district auditor's report, Sir Roy Griffiths, the deputy chairman of the NHS policy board, was asked by Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, to help the authority discharge its role "efficiently and enectively" for the future.

The regional health authority (RHA), which has a revenue budget of nearly £1.8

CRIME can intrude on civil

liberties just as much as other

threats to individual rights,

Tony Blair, Labour's shadow

home secretary, told a London conference on crime preven-

tion organised by the Com-

munity Development Found-

In his first speech since his

appointment. Mr Blair said

that unless communities once

again became places where

people could work and live without fear, the losers would

be the whole country. Crime now meant that the elderly

were not safe in their own

homes and women were un-

able to walk city streets at

night. That amounted to an intrusion into civil liberties

and rights every bit as impor-

tant as other risks to freedom.

criminality and offenders had to be caught, he said. Equally, there were underlying reasons for crime such as the high level

of youth employment, the

number of young people with

no means of support because

of changes in the benefit

system and the end of training

means of giving people hope

What was needed was a

There was no excuse for

ation yesterday.

billion a year, admitted yesterday that the report had exposed failings and mistakes in awarding the contract to find £50 million efficiency savings in its supplies division but which had brought few lasting benefits to the health service. The report by Keith Stan-

ton, the district auditor, said the £2.5 million contract given in 1990 to the United Research Group (URG), a United States management consultancy, to make the supplies division commercially vi-

able was improperly emered into and badly managed. The RHA said yesterday that the contract was awarded by Chris Watney, its former director of the supplies division, who is accused of showing a "cavalier distre the standards of conduct expected from public officers".

and opportunity as well as

☐ An expert on prison vio-

lence said yesterday that the

privatisation of jails would result in loss of pay and status

Hans Toch, a professor at the State University of New York, told the conference of

the Howard League penal

reform group that officers'

unions had not done all they

could to promote prison re-

form and were therefore vul-

nerable to a private system set

up to employ cheap labour.

effective policing.

for prison officers.

trol the supplies division did not work. According to the authority, Criminals have no excuse, says Blair

It added: "Despite the rule

after the work had started. The report said the terms and conditions of the contract were imprecise and there was conflict over what the consultants were supposed to deliver. Mr Wainey neglected one of the most important features necessary for the success of the consultancy exercise, the confi-dence of its customers. Recriminations between district health authorities and the regional body ended with some districts threatening to

buy their supplies elsewhere. ity accepted normal managehad taken action when problems became evident. Stuart Fletcher, the managing director of the regional health

Mr Watney left his job in June 1991 in the wake of an internal review into the award of the contract. He is understood to be sailing around the world. Martin Davies, the director of finance, left the authority this week. Sir James Ackers, the RHA chairman. said they were trying to contact

Mr Warney. The authority

may also call in the police. The auditor's report said the supplies division was responsible for negotiating contracts for goods and services to all district health authorities and was part of the regionally managed services branch, whose director was Mr Watney. He said that Mr Watney did not follow the policy of the health authority. whose arrangements to coi

The contract to engage consultants was negotiated entirely by the director with little reference to anybody else. He had not obtained competitive quotations and expenditure was incurred before agreement had been reached, according to the auditor's report. Friday Nights With Wogan.

that all contracts over £50,000 must be under the seal of the RHA, the contract for £2.5 million was just a letter from the consultants telling the director what they would do and charge." The report said the RHA board never saw the letter, although the details were explained at a dinner,

The auditor said the authorment controls had failed and authority, who took up his post in January, admitted yester-day that the region had not received benefits (from the contract) commensurate with

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Missing boy found dead in quarry

The body of a schoolboy was discovered by police yesterday in a disused quarry. The friend with whom he disappeared on Saturday is still missing. Police confirmed that the dead boy was Allan McKay. 13, of Ayr, Strathchyde, who vanished with his friend Iain Allan, 12, after a game of football. The parents of both boys were present last night as police divers continued their search of the water-filled quarry at a golf club in Prestwick

Police said that there were no immediate signs of foul play. Supt Jim Brown, in charge of the case, said that he still hoped to find lain alive, but would be unrealistic if he did not fear the worst. The search, which continued through the night, involved mounted police, tracker dogs, divers, helicopters and coastguards. There had been several sightings of the pair in Prestwick since they disappeared after saying they were off to play. They had promised to return later that evening but no trace of either was found madel early presented a positive precipile and provided a positive until early yesterday afternoon. Police received a positive identification of lain on the seashore at Newton-on-Ayr earlier this week. That was followed by another unconfirmed sighting only yesterday morning.

Yard marksman shot

A Scotland Yard marksman was seriously injured last night in an exchange of fire when he challenged a gumman during armed surveillance in east London of suspected robbers Two other suspects, one of them wounded, were arrested later. Police searched a public house for weapons. The Yard said that the shooting began near Grove Hall Park, close to the Blackwall Tunnel. Police later surrounded a minicab some miles away. Inside were the two suspects, one with a head injury thought to have been from the shooting. The wounded officer, who was being treated in the Royal London Hospital is believed to be the first the Royal London Hospital, is believed to be the first member of the Yard's specialist firearms unit SO19 to be seriously injured.

Ratners opals melted

The jewellery chain Ratners has been fined £1.000 and ordered to pay £350 costs after stud ear-rings described as opal were found to be plastic and melted when tested. Lynne Howson, a trading standards officer, bought a pair of the ear-rings for £3.50 in Hull in May 1991, magistrates in the town were told yesterday. Ratners, who pleaded guilty, said it was an administrative error from which no profit had been made. Mrs Howson bought the ear-rings just one month after Gerald Ratner's remarks to the Institute of Directors. when he described one of his lines in his chain of jewellery shops, a cut-glass sherry decanter set with glasses on a silver tray, as "total crap".

No ban in the USA

DAMNED in the USA. Channel 4's award-winning documentary about artistic censorship in the United States, may finally be screened in American cinemas after a Mississippi federal judge yesterday dismissed a Christian fundamentalist's plea for an injunction to ban it (Melinda Wittstock writes). It features the views on artistic freedom of the Rev Donald Wildmon, a tireless anti-pornography crusader and head of the American Families Association, a conservative pressure group. He sought punitive damages of \$6 million and an order restricting distribution of the film outside the UK, where it was shown during the Channel 4

Wogan returns to radio

BBC1 chat show was cancelled after four million viewers deserted him for ITV, is returning to Broadcasting House to present the Radio 2 breakfast show which made him famous. In January he will replace Brian Hayes on Good Morning UK. Mr Wogan also returns to BBC1 on October 2 with a new weekly programme, said not to be a chat show,



Sex gibes cost £1,000

A film studio stage manager who was called a "slapper" and a "tart" by her boss was awarded £1,000 by an industrial tribunal yesterday after it ruled she had suffered sexual discrimination. Lyn Beardsall, 31, a New Zealander of Winkfield, Berkshire, claimed that verbal abuse made her job at Bray Film studios in Windsor intolerable and caused her to leave. The tribunal at Reading Berkshire, agreed that she had suffered taunts for 14 months but decided that her claims that she had been sexually harassed by Neville Hendricks, 34, on a trip to the Cannes television festival were unfounded. Mr Hendricks had denied trying to force

Proetta trial date set

Carmen Proetta, the controversial witness in the 1988 Death on the Rock television documentary, and her husband Maxi appeared before Gibraltar's magistrates' court yesterday facing charges of possessing five doses of LSD. The trial date has been set for November 17 but Mrs Proetta said she would have preferred the hearing to go ahead yesterday "if there is any evidence". Earlier, her lawyer Chris Finch had said that he wanted a date fixed because Mrs Proetta lived on the island only at weekends and it was not convenient for her to come only when the case

Herbal teas linked with liver deaths

By Stewart Tendler, crime correspondent

By ALISON ROBERTS

SOME of the herbal teas sold as medicines or slimming aids can cause potentially fatal liver failure, doctors say.

Traditional Chinese remedies for eczema, sold in clinics or prepared by Chinese physicians, have been linked to the death of a woman aged 28 who suffered acute liver failure, the National Poisons Unit reports in a letter published in The Lancet today. An emergency transplant failed to save her. A relapsing hepatic illness in a nine-year-old girl was

caused by similar mixtures of

medicinal plants. The unit has

investigated nine further cases in which the teas have

had harmful effects. Letters

report fatal liver failure caused by a slimming tea containing wild germander. The preparation, called Tealine, contained 150mg of the toxic herb; three tablets taken daily for two two-week periods with a six-month break between were enough to cause the failure, the doctors say.

Virginia Murray, of the National Poisons Unit, based at Guy's Hospital, central London, said that there was no check on the contents of such preparations and nobody knew how many alternative medicines were available in Britain. "We are trying to find out the scale of the

from doctors in France also problem in this country. We feel that there are enough cases to be worrying, and we want to raise doctors' awareness so that they ask patients who come with symptoms whether they are taking remedies." she said. "Symptoms depend on the

Blair policing not only

way to cut crime rate

substance and the patient, but basically these herbs can affect any organ system. One of the messages is that natural does not necessarily equal

Robin Graham-Brown, of Leicester Royal Infirmary, called for a halt to the use of Chinese herbal remedies until full pharmacological trials had been carried out. One of his patients suffered toxic

hepatitis after taking a herbal infusion sold to him by a Chinese remedy clinic in Birmingham. Dr Graham-Brown said: "We need to guard against people rushing headlong to these clinics and receiving treatments which we don't know anything

The poisons unit is in the middle of a two-year study of alternative medicines, including herbal remedies. The study, funded by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, is investigating preparations which do not make direct medical claims and can thus be classed as food supplements, escaping the control of the Medicines Act.

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Consultant accused of giving lethal injection to patient in agony

A HOSPITAL consultant administered a fatal injection to an elderly patient after she implored him to cut short her agony, Winchester Crown Court was told yesterday.

Nigel Cox, a rheumatologist at Royal Hampshire County Hospital, denies attempting to murder Lillian Boyes, 70, after he found he could not honour a promise to ease her pain. The jury heard that Mrs Boyes died within minutes of an injection of potassium

Neil Butterfield. QC, for the prosecution, said the consultant's motive was "to bring an end" to his patient's suffering.
Because Mrs Boyes was terminally ill and her body was cremated before the facts were fully known to the authorities, the Crown could not prove that her death was caused by the injection, he said. "It is for that reason the charge is one of attempted murder and not

Mr Butterfield told the jury the case was both unusual and distressing — but they should try to set aside natural feelings of sympathy and prejudice and approach their task

objectively.
The court heard that Dr Cox, described as an experienced and highly qualified consultant, treated Mrs Boyes for advanced rheumatoid arthritis when she was admitted to the hospital in August 1991. Within a few days she had become seriously ill, suf-fering great pain and discomfort which was not relieved by large doses of painkillers and

analgesic drugs.

Mrs Boyes called her two
sons to the hospital when the pain became unbearable. They sat and listened as she called out in agony. Mr Butterfield said Dr Cox had

told the woman's sons she had asked him to give her an injection to "finish her off". But obviously "the consultant could do nothing like that because he was not allowed

Dr Cox assured the old woman's sons he would make sure she was in no pain and would not suffer, said Mr Butterfield After the conversation he had made a note saying: "She still wants out and I don't think we can reasonably disagree in the face of quality of life, both present and future.

Mr Butterfield said: "Dr Cox had a duty to ensure his terminally ill patient, who berself had declined further treatment other than pain relief, died with dignity and as little suffering as possible. But that was the extent of his duty. The deliberate killing of a helpless person, whatever the wishes of that person may be, is neither the right nor the duty of a doctor.

"It is right that dying pa-tients should be relieved of suffering and this must be done to the best of the doctor's



Cox denies attempted

skill, but killing patients, even for the most worthy and understandable of motives, is no part of the work of doctors and nurses."

Mr Butterfield said that,

having assured his patient and suffer. Dr Cox found he could not honour his pledge. "He selected two ampoules of po-tassium chloride, which, if administered quickly and undiluted into the bloodstream. is a lethal substance."

Dr Cox gave her the fatal injection, he said. He then wrote in the hospital notes that he had given her the injection but on the death certificate he said her death was due to bronchial pneumonia.

The alleged offence came to light when a ward sister saw an entry in the log which detailed the exact amount administered. She reported the matter to a senior nursing manager and subsequently a police enquiry was launched. Mr Butterfield said the pros-

ecution could not say the injection killed Mrs Boyes. "It is possible that, by coinci-dence, she died of natural causes shortly after the administration of the injection. She was terminally ill and could have died at any time."

Staff nurse Christina Eeles told the court that Dr Cox had been distressed over the pain his patient was suffering. She said the atmosphere in the ward before the death of Mrs Boves had been tense. The old woman had been screaming out in pain.

"It was very upsetting at the time. It made me feel sick," Ms Eeles said. Asked about Dr Cox's mood at the time, she distressed" by the amount of pain Mrs Boyes was suffering.



Feast for a friend: the chef and restaurateur Anton Mosimann at the memorial lunch in the ICA yesterday

Mourners picnic in memorial to David

BY TOM RHODES

ELIZABETH David, credited as the only woman capable of lish how to savour their culi nary delights, left a posthumous and indelible stamp on British cookery yesterday when about a hundred of her family and followers held a "memorial picnic" in

The Nash Room at the ICA, central London, was bedecked with the trestles and bistrostyle checked tablecloths for the meal that followed a memorial service at St. Martinin-the-Fields for David, who died in May, aged 79.

All but one of the dishes, prepared by Simon Hopkin-son of Bibendum. Sally Clarke of Clarke's and Martin Lam of L'Escargot, were gleaned from David's books bocconcini with basil leaves, marinated lentil and goat cheese salad. baby beetroot and chives, spiced aubergine salad. Pied-monese peppers, salade de museau and grilled tuna, red onion and beans, served with a Macon 1991 and a Château Gaillard 1991. Ramekins of autumn fruits with fromage frais and strong black coffee followed. David, like Balzac, was unable to write even a sentence without the aid of a

thermos of coffee.

Aside from her sister Patricia, niece Sabrina and three nephews, William, Alexander and Edward, most of the guests were from the food business. Anton Mosimann. Hugh Johnson the wine writer and Gerald Asher the vintner were close friends, as were Arabella Boxer and the actor Leslie French, 90, who first met David 60 years ago.

It was left to Julia Child, the American cookery writer, to give a definitive judgment: This is without question the greatest food event of the year. It is safe to say that Elizabeth would not have approved she did not like crowds or public adulation - but I think she would have appreciated the fact that it took place at

poachers, 'Good on you'."

Yesterday police were turning a blind eye to the

deliveries. One officer, asked

how many salmon may have

ended up on village door-

steps, said: "It is difficult to

quantify. Shall we say that a

lot of people were very quick

in reaching their front doors.

There is a poaching problem

in the area, largely dealt with by water bailiffs, but we have

to cover the whole of Suther-

land and all the lochs, moor-

land rivers and so on. There

is ample opportunity for

poaching in such a big area."

further action? "Och well,

what can you do without the

Would the police be taking

MP condemns public subsidy of places at private schools

By John O'Leary, education correspondent

MANY independent schools schools received £500,000 have become so reliant on the Assisted Places Scheme that they now depend on its public subsidy for their survival, a Labour MP said yesterday.

Stephen Byers, the MP for Wallsend and former chairman of the Council of Local Education Authorities, disclosed that four schools -Dulwich College and Latymer Upper School in London, Newcastle-under-Lyme School in Staffordshire, and St Edward's College, Liverpool - received more than £1

last year. More than 50

million each from the scheme

Mr Byers said: "To call these schools independent is a complete misnomer. In reality, they are totally dependent on the state."

At least one in three of the pupils in ten schools are on assisted places, according to figures derived from parlia-mentary answers. Wisbech Grammar School has the highest concentration, with almost half of the pupils benefiting from the scheme for low-income families.

Anthony Verity, the Master of Dulwich College, said that

the 277 assisted places could easily be filled with pupils paying full fees. "I dare say that there are some schools that are grateful for assisted places at the moment, but we ae in the scheme because we believe in it."

☐ A deputy headmistress was yesterday awarded nearly £7,000 compensation for unfair dismissal over the alleged slapping of two five-year-olds. Karen Humphreys, 51, who taught at St Andrew's Junior School, Stanley, Derbyshire, was dismissed last December after 14 years. Parents protestin vain for

TOMORROW'S

Sex, but

is it Art?



Pornography is what they used to call it but Madonna's latest CD, called Sex, is intended to be consumed as Art. Bryan Appleyard on erotica and the offensive

Thrill of the chase



these ingredients help to explain the Now, they are likely to happen on Sundays

Plus . . .

Tom Stoppard on the joys of reading: Malcolm Bradbury on awful schooldays: and two weekends -Matthew Parris in Buenos Aires and Joanna Lumley in a French fantasy

SATURDAY'S TIMES: TREAT YOURSELF

Britain launches £500,000 drive to lure US tourists

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, TRAVEL CORRESPONDENT

barded with more than £500,000 worth of advertising from next month to convince them that Britain remains an affordable place to visit, despite a dollar exchange rate of

two to the pound. The campaign, to be aimed at "high-spending first time visitors", will include the free distribution of a booklet entitled "How to have an amazingly affordable holiday in Britain this year".

William Davis, chairman of the British Tourist Authority, said: "Nearly 60 per cent of overseas visitors come to London, but the capital is perceived as expensive, which in turn affects the perception of Britain as a whole. At a time when value for money is the key issue, we need to counter this widely held view."

The dollar was offered at 2.14 to the pound yesterday at the Inter-Continental Hotel in central London yesterday. James Jarvis, a lawyer from Florida, said: "As long as the dollar remains so weak it will seem dreadfully expensive

In Trafalgar Square, Peter Valesco from California and Arthur Butler from Illinois were planning to go home early as their spending money dwindled. Both had won trips to London as a reward from their companies for their sales efforts but were discovering just how expensive even a free" trip could be.

We have just spent £52 for hunch in a place which was supposed to be cheap," said Mr Valesco. "That's \$108 and

NEVER again will villagers

at Helmsdale, on the east

coast of Sutherland, be con-

vinced by Highland land-

owners' claims that poach-

ers are merely plunderers of Scotland's finest salmon

Old people were stirred

from their television sets by

a slight noise as packages

were dropped on their front

steps or pinned to doors.

Outside was salmon, neatly

packaged and containing a

card saying: "From your

caring poachers. We take

from the rich and give to the

poor. We thought of you and

we hope you enjoy your

\$8.75 on hunch at home. The theatre-loving Butlers had been forced to find cheap

tickets in the gallery rather than their usual stalls seats. We love England but it is now so expensive," said Mr Butler. "We are going home Mr Davis believes there are great bargains to be had in

Britain. "The one good thing about a recession is that while it may be bad for the industry it is good for the consumer. American travellers are always very price conscious and the current exchange rate is a formidable handicap" said Mr Daivs. "Britain's appeal is as a strong as ever but it is plain that Americans are looking for money saving tips that will help their dollars go

Before the dollar exchange rate soared so sharply 2.8

AMERICANS are to be bom- I never spend more than million Americans visited Britain in 1991, down 26 per cent on the previous year. Now, it is claimed, the number of visitors from the US has climbed by 32 per cent in the first six

> Amid opposition from conservationists and protectors of the capital's sights. Westmin-ster city councillors voted last night on whether commercial advertising should adom the hoardings which for almost a year have shrouded the winged figure of Eros in

English Heritage says the idea of advertising on the monument is "unseemly and demeaning". The Fountain Society argues for the boarding to be done away with altogether, saying: Eros needs restoration, not incarceration."

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have been made so far to the

homes of pensioners, includ-

ing some to the village's

sheltered housing complex which overlooks the river Helmsdale, one of the re-

gion's best angling spots.

Rhoda and John Arnott

were in their living room

when there was a ring at the

door. "John went to the door

and came back with this

parcel, which had been fixed

to the door by a drawing pin.

The cut of salmon, at least

14lb in weight, was beauti-

fully wrapped up inside a plain white plastic bag," said Mrs Arnott.

One woman, worned

receiving

stolen

station to ask what she

First take a pan of cold

water ..." began the officer.

The pensioners followed the

Gordon Ogilvie, head bai-liff of the Helmsdale River

Board, said it was unlikely to

be the work of poachers. "I

don't believe poachers are

that benevolent," he said. "I

think it was a piece of shenanigans on behalf of a

certain political party." Mr

Ogilvie insisted that his staff

kept tight control of the

Chris McLean, of the Scot-

tish National Party, said:

"We know nothing about

this but we would say to the evidence?" he replied.

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Poachers' salmon gifts spawn gratitude

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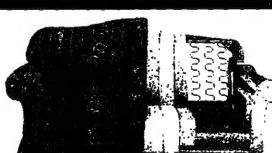
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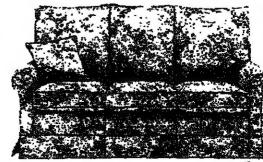
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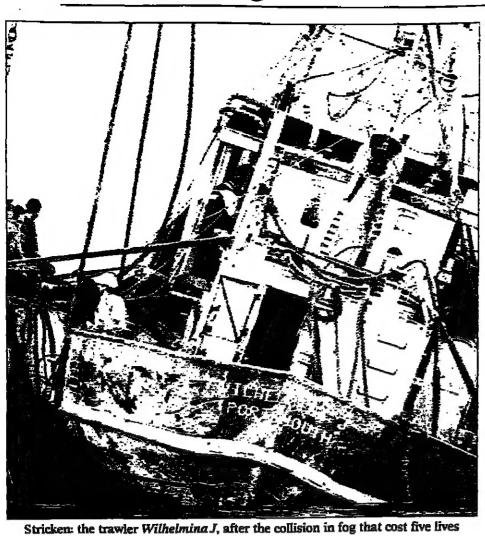
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Marine investigators call for electronic device to identify vessels that fail to stop after accidents



Ships in fatal collisions broke rules

ELEVEN ways to improve safety in one of the world's busiest shipping lanes were outlined by official reports. published yesterday, on two collisions that claimed the lives of 11 British fishermen.

Enquiries by the marine accident investigation branch of the transport department into the sinkings last year of the trawlers Ocean Hound and Wilhelmina J found that they were struck by other vessels in the Channel after breaches of regulations.
The Wilhelmina J sank on

April 10 with the loss of six

lives after colliding in fog with the Zulfikar, a Cypriot registered cargo ship whose cap-tain. Vishwas Patwardhan. failed to report the collision for two hours. The Ocean Hound sank on August 11 with the loss of five lives after being struck by an unknown vessel. The crew of that vessel displayed gross negligence in failing to notice the Ocean Hound, the report said. Although the skipper might have been unaware of the collision, the trawler's presence "ought to have been recognised well before the event if a proper look-out was

Michael Dynes reports on enquiries into two Channel incidents that cost the lives of 11 British fishermen

Responsibility for sinking the Wilhelmina J was placed largely on the skipper of the Cypriot cargo vessel for failing to ensure that his bridge was properly manned with a look-out while sailing through fog in busy coastal waters, failing to reduce his vessel's speed. and failing promptly to report the incident to the coastguard.

The enquiry found that the crew of the Zulfikar broke at least five regulations designed to prevent collisions: keeping a radar and visual look-out. proceeding at a safe speed, avoiding hasty assumptions about the movement of other vessels, navigating with cau-tion near the end of traffic lanes and having engines ready for immediate man-

One of the 11 recommendations calls on maritime authorities to introduce an electronic device, similar to that used in aircraft, which would be capable of identifywould have enabled the authorities to give evidence against the vessel that hit the Ocean Hound. Transport department

officials and representatives of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO), the world shipping body, are examining the prospects of introducing a system that enables vessels to be identified from land. Any changes to maritime regulations would have to be approved by IMO mem-bers, likely to take some years. The marine accident investi-gation branch urges the Brit-ish and French authorities to extend and make mandatory the voluntary system by which vessels entering busy Channel shipping lanes identify themselves by radio to the

Other recommendations call for: efforts to ensure that mariners keep a look-out; that mariners are warned of the particular hazards of the eastern Channel scallop fishing

section of the Dover Strait shipping lanes; and modification of emergency signalling devices to improve their performance and ease of

Val Curtiss, from Brixham in Devon, whose husband Keith, 54, and son Mark. 26, were lost in the Ocean Hound,

said that the the report had confirmed what many of the relatives had long believed, that "our men had been murdered". She said the recommendations should be made mandatory, especially the call for vessels crossing Channel traffic lanes to tell the coastguard of their movephal spe

Struggling museums appeal for lottery cash

ARTS CORRESPONDENT

FALLING income may force some museums to close and others are contemplating selfing parts of their collections, a report by the Museums and Galleries Commission said yesterday. It called on the government to formulate a national museums strategy and set up an endowment to protect collections of national

Graham Greene, the com-mission's chairman, said that sites in trouble included Dulwich picture gallery in south London and the award winning Beamish open air museum in co. Durham. "We want action from the government now, whether money tery or not," he said. The commission wants £250 million, half the proceeds of the lottery, to be put aside each year for museums. Of this, £100 million could be for non-

national museums.

The report says: The years ahead will undoubtedly see more mergers and rationalisations, and an increase in the number of closures." It also suggests that curators who do not present their museums properly should be sacked. "For far too long, too many museums have been kept in the doldrums by those responsible for running them. Early retirement has been used to solve such problems but is no substitute for proper training and increased opportunities for career progress," it says.

Museums Matter (Museums and Galleries Commission, 16 Queen Anne's Gate,

London SW1; E7.50)

PC cleared of reckless driving in death chase

A TRAFFIC policeman who drove at speeds of up to 120mph during a chase that ended in the deaths of two men riding a stolen motor cycle was cleared of reckless

driving yesterday.

After the verdict was announced it was disclosed that the case caused a dispute between the Director of Public Prosecutions and South Yorkshire police, who had refused to serve the reckless driving summons on PC Charles Wheeler because they said there was a lack of evidence.

The summons was eventually served by the DPP's office.
The head of the force's traffic division, Supt Bob Lax, said after the hearing that the prosecution had been ill-conceived and the decision to DPP's staff has accused the

police of lack of co-operation. The prosecution at York Crown Court claimed that although PC Wheeler, 41, of Sprotborough, South Yorkshire, was not responsible for the deaths, he could have endangered the public by the speeds at which he was driving, which averaged 114mph. in the early hours of a Saturday in May 1990.

The jury of seven men and five women took less than 15 minutes to acquit him after a three-day trial.

The court had been told that the driver of the stolen motor cycle, Richard Nilsson, 22, a long driver of Burringham, Scunthorpe, and his passen-ger Stephen Parrott, 25, a roofer of Winterton, Scunthorpe, were killed instantly when their Honda 600 failed to round a bend and smashed into a lamp-post.

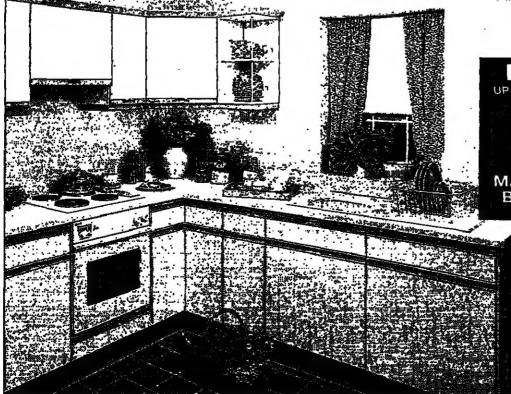


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Migrating animals 'see magnetic fields'

By NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

MIGRATING birds, bees, and other animals that navigate using the earth's magnetic field may actually see the lines of force, possibly as stripes in the sky, which allow them to choose their flight paths.

Scientists have found evidence that light is critical in the ability of some animals to navigate. The research, published in the journal Nature, indicates that such creatures may have special pigments and cells in their visual systems that allow them to percieve the earth's magnetic fields as bright or

shaded patterns. The legendary navigating abilities of animals such as racing pigeons have been linked with deposits of magnetite, an iron based metal that can detect a magnetic field. This followed the discovery of aquatic bacteria that swim along the earth's magnetic field and contain particles

of the metal. The new research by John Phillips and Chris Borland at Indiana university in Bloomington proposes a different mechanism, echoing a suggestion in 1977 by Michael Leask,

a British physicist. Their

findings are based on studies using male, eastern redspotted newts, Notoph-thalmus viridescens.

When artificially mag-netic field were generated. the newts swam in tanks to an artificial shore. When researchers altered the light wavelengths, the newts changed direction and swam parallel to the

Dr Phillips said yesterday that they believed the light acted as a source of energy to sense the magnetic fields. Light hitting the newts excites molecules of a special pigment which are influenced by the earth's magnetic field to stimulate cells called photoreceptors.

Dr Phillips suggested that the magnetic, lightsensitive pigment could work even in low illuminations, which may explain why some birds can navigate on cloudy nights. It could also suffer interference around radar and other sources of electromagnetic radiation, he

suggested. The researchers plan experiments to establish where the special pigments and photoreceptors are in the visual system.

*Savings are on single cabinet prices.

after accidents roke rules

Global sperm counts have almost halved in the past 50 years

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

SPERM counts have almost halved since 1940, according analysed all 61 semen surveys published worldwide in the

The average male sperm sample has decreased by 20 per cent and contains a lower proportion of sperm, but there s no known reason for the decline, which is reported after studying surveys from Europe, the Americas, the Far East and Australia Environmental causes are suspected.

The research by Finnish scientists has not determined whether more men are infertile, only that all men have fewer sperm in each ejacula-tion. The longer a man abstains from sex, the greater the concentration of sperm in his emen. The method of counting sperm did not differ significantly among the stud-ies and there is no reason to doubt its accuracy.

The researchers note that the decline in the quality of semen has occurred simultaneously with a rise in abnormalities of the male reproductive system. Testicular cancer has increased by between 200 and 400 per cent over the past 50 years. Boys born with undescended testes or an abnormality in the urine tube have also become more

Writing in the British Medical Journal, the researchers say that "such remarkable the occurrence of genito-urinary abnormalities over a relatively short period is more probably due to environmental rather than genetic

Professor Niels Skakkebaek of the department of growth and reproduction at the University of Copenhagen, who led the researchers, said: "The causes are most likely to be

found at the time of pregnancy but we do not know."

that giving the hormone oestrogen to pregnant mothers could be harmful to the testes of their offspring, he said. Some elements in industrial waste emissions, such as PCBs, can have oestrogenic effects, leading some scientists to speculate on the role of worldwide pollution.

Professor Skakkebaek said there was unlikely to be a link with the contraceptive pill, which contains oestrogen and has been widely taken only in the past 20 years, because it

The researchers speculate that there may be a common cause for the decline in the quality of semen and the rise in testicular cancer, which would be shown by their association in a particular geographical area. "Interestingly, Danish men, who have an incidence of testicular cancer five times higher than that of Finnish men, also have lower sperm counts [by almost a halff" the researchers say. Other changes in the biolo-

gy of the human reproductive system have also puzzled researchers. The birth rate for non-identical twins, the sort that come from separate eggs and share only a birthday, has fallen by a third since the late 1950s in Britain and most of Europe, but not in America. what could be having an effect in one part of the world but not in another. Environmental pollution has again been blamed. Poland has seen the steepest decline in its twinning rate and has also been one of the most polluted countries in

☐ Women were urged yester day to use condoms and to take the contraceptive pill to guard against the Aids virus

Computer ages face of boy lost on holiday

By Stewart Tendler

FOURTEEN months after a toddler vanished on a Greek island, South Yorkshire police have produced computer pictures showing how the boy would look now. aged almost three.

even if they are in long-term

sexual relationships. Con-doms and the pill together would give women maximum

protection against both preg-

nancy and infection, said Dr

Ali Kubba, consultant com-

munity gynaecologist at St Thomas's Hospital, London. He said that cases such as

that of a haemophiliac alleged

to have passed HIV to at least

four women, despite knowing

he was a carrier, showed

women were not immune to

infection just because their relationship was "steady".

Figures for cases of heterosex-

ual HIV transmission, ana-

lysed in a letter to last month's British Medical Journal, showed 73 per cent of men were infected in short-term

liaisons, while 83 per cent of

the women were presumed to have been infected in relation-

ships of six months or more.

Health, L&T section

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The picture, issued yesterday, will be printed on 5,000 posters to be placed in airports and around the Greek islands in the hope that Ben Needham might be Police harnessed a system

known as E-Fit, electronic facial information technique, which is normally used to build pictures on a computer screen. The last available photograph of Ben was enhanced in conjunction with photographs of the boy's parents, Kerry and Simon, to build up their composite of what he would look like now.

The picture is thought to be the first time E-Fit has been used to age a photo-



Waiting and hoping: Kerry Needham with the new image of her son

graph. Kerry Needham, from Norfolk Park, Sheffield, said: "The picture is

see it is my Ben. I am sure it is close to what he must be

eral islands. Police think he

Kos. Since then, sightings

Women who dread driving at night

BY DAVID YOUNG

MORE than half of women drivers are taking measures to protect themselves against being attacked in their cars. One in five women hate

driving at night for fear of breaking down and being open to attack, says a survey of 1,084 women, carried out for the insurance company General Accident in July by Gallup.

General Accident has now produced a self-help mainte-nance manual, Woman At the Wheel. The author, Ken Law, who has been a "roadside rescuer" for 20 years, said: "Women receive little education in basic car mechanics. Many breakdowns are the result of carelessness."

Woman At the Wheel, will be at WH Smith and Menzies for £2.95 from next Thursday, or from Kelsey Publishing, Kelsey House, 77 High Street, Beckenham, Kent BR3 IAN. Women who accept a quote from General Accident GA 121 Motor Insurance (Freephone 0800 121 000) will receive a free copy.

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Soccer fan leaves club £130,000

One of Britain's oldest foot ball dubs are celebrating a victory over financial adversity being left nearly E130,000 by a supporter.

Henry Spinks, an account ant, left almost half his £260,000 estate to the parttimers of Hallam Football Club, Sheffield, founded in 1860. The money should secure the club's future at a time when maintenance charges

are increasing.

Tony Scanlon, the club president, said: "In football parlance we are over the moon. Henry was tremendously sun portive of the club and this is a fantastic gesture."

Heir accused

Jasper Duncombe, 24, of Kensington, central London, the heir of Lord Feversham of Duncombe Park, North Yorkshire, was remanded in custody by Marylebone magistrates accused of trying to steal £12,000 worth of surveillance equipment from a shop at Paddington, west London, and with maliciously wounding a shopowner and carrying an imitation Luger pistol.

Shoot-out case

Three men from north and east London were remanded in custody by Dorking magistrates. Surrey, on a variety of charges including attempted murder, attempted robbery and possessing firearms, after an exchange of shots involving armed police at Brockham. Surrey, in August.

Degree fine

An organisation calling itself Somerset Independent University, of Ilminster, Somerset, was fined £2,000 by Taunton magistrates for misleading advertising because it did not say its degrees were not recognised in Britain.

Acid boy ill

A boy aged two who swal-lowed carbolic acid at a York surgery was still critically ill in hospital with severe internal injuries and acid burns to his chest. An enquiry has begun into how he found the acid.

Doughboy's gut A former American Gl will give out 5,000 biscuits to old people's homes as Nantwich, Cheshire, today because an elderly woman gave him her bun during the war when he did not have a ration book

Spassky routs ragged **Fischer**

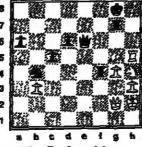
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

BORIS Spassky has won the fifth game of his chess match against Bobby Fischer in Sveti Stefan, Montenegro. His victory on Wednesday night, after 45 moves, gives

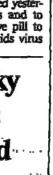
pieces, a feat he had never achieved against Fischer. There is speculation that Fischer is still reeling after his unexpected defeat in the fourth game.

eighteenth move, when Fischer introduced a refinement intended to improve his attacking chances. But on the 22nd move, he chose a passive rook move that forfeited most of his advantage

Spassky struck back with tremendous flair. His 25th, 28th and 30th moves eradicated Fischer's central installations. By the 34th move, Spassky was left with a giant pawn on the seventh rank, poised on the brink of becom-



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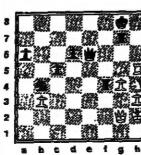
him a 2-1 lead.

Spassky won with the black

The opening duplicated that of game three until the

ing a queen.

Over the final few moves. Fischer fought desperately but Spassky's pawn promot-ed, to leave him with an immense material advantage. By move 45, further resistance by Fischer was futile. The moves were



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Smith blocks leftwing move to force vote on referendum

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

AN ATTEMPT by the Labour left to bring the party's divisions over Europe to a head next week by forcing a vote on continued membership of the and a Maastricht referendum is expected to be blocked by the

With support apparently growing in the Labour ranks for a change of stance on Maastricht and the pound, the left is to push for a debate on Europe when Labour's ruling national executive meets on Monday to discuss a new

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policy document to go before this month's conference. Senior members of the shadow cabinet who have voiced misgivings over John Smith's cautious support for Maastricht and his anti-devaluation economic policy face the embarrassment of having to decide whether to vote against him on issues on which there is a long-standing national executive, is tabling resolutions for a special NEC on Labour to campaign for a referendum and withdrawal from the ERM.

It emerged last night that the leadership intends on Monday to delay discussion on Maastricht and the European exchange rate mechanism, and what would effectively have been the first

the NEC meeting on Septem-French referendum. Gordon Brown, the shadow chancellor, had made plain that Labour is against devalu-ation, and will not press for a

serious challenge to Mr Smith

since he became leader, until

realignment, although it believes that if the Germans took the lead and revalued the mark upwards Britain should look seriously at the proposal. John Evans, the party chairman, is expected to rule on Monday that the NEC should not discuss the two related issues until the following

week.
Although the shadow cabinet dissidents can technically argue that they are not breachbecause it has not formally discussed Europe since the Danish referendum, the leadership's adherence to the ERM. opposition to devaluation, and dislike of a referen-

dum is well established. Mr Smith is already being urged by some senior figures to crush the emerging revolt. But there appears to be increasing support among Lab-our MPs for the leadership to take a more aggressive stance. Alan Williams, MP for

Swansea West, yesterday added to the pressure on Mr Smith with an open letter calling for a Maastricht referendum. Tonight John Morris. the shadow attorney general and one of the few remaining former cabinet ministers on the Labour benches, is expected to support the argument advanced by some shadow ministers that the Maastricht

Fowler defends Maastricht treaty

Dennis Skinner, a promi-

shadow cabinet position.

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SIR Norman Fowler, the Conservative party chairman. yesterday took on both Eurosceptics and Euro-fanatics by insisting that the Maastricht treaty would prevent over-centralisation in Europe.

He also exploited the apparent split within the Labour party on the issue, claiming it showed the party's "slipperiness" on Europe. Addressing a meeting of the centre-right European People's Party in London, Sir Norman warned against ignoring the wishes of the people by giving Brussels too much bureaucratic control. 'We have to make sure we take the people with us," he said. "We will not do so if we over-centralise; we will not do so if in seeking to enhance the community of nations, we devalue the nations."

There was no need to

when decisions could reasonably be taken at the national or local level, he said.

"It is ironic that opposition to the over-centralising tendency of the European Community had come to be focused on the Maastricht treaty," he said. " For one of the great achievements of Maastricht is that it, for the first time, provides a series of safeguards to prevent precisely an over-centralised Community that many people across Europe would reject."

It provided new ways of redress for European citizens through the European ombudsman and new powers of control for the European parliament over the European Commission.

The lesson of the past few months, following the referen-dum in Denmark, had shown that Europe could not

progress unless its citizens were fully involved in every stage. "The Danish referendum has sounded a warning note: it has not signalled a defeat for all our aspirations." Although the 12 EC mem-

bers were now awaiting the outcome of the French referendum. governments should not public in Europe "and certainly in Britain" were in favour of the European Community. But they want a Europe which accords with their interests and does not trample over their traditions and national

He said the change in the Labour leadership had only intensified the party's shumbolic and confused attitudes". He accused John Smith, the Labour leader. of failing to exercise discipline over his senior frontbenchers. The TUC at Blackpool



Brenda Dean: at the centre of original dispute

Renegade union welcomed back

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

DELEGATES at the Trades Union Congress in Blackpool yesterday authorised the gen-eral council to re-admit the electricians' union, the EETPU, ending a bitter rift which once called into ques-

tion the future of the TUC. The way is now clear for the AEEU engineering and electrical union, which subsumed the EETPU in a merger earlier this year, to ballot members next April on affiliation. They will end the risk of the EETPU forming the nucleus of a breakaway right-wing federation which has existed ever since the electricians were expelled by the TUC in 1988.

The decision to re-admit the renegade union was taken speedily, and with a remarkable degree of unity.
Only the National Union of

Mineworkers voted against. Norman Willis, the TUC general secretary, acknowl-edged the depth of feeling ues about d "Many thought this would be an issue too far for this congress," he said.

Bill Jordan, president of the AEEU, said leaders of the AEEU and EETPU had

A FUTURE Labour govern-

ment would cancel franchises

awarded to private firms to

run rail services, John Pres-

cott. the shadow transport

Mr Prescott was respond-

ing to a TUC call for an end

to the government's railway

sell-off. Amid claims from

leaders of rail unions that

unprofitable services are

secretary, said yesterday.

made "an honourable commitment" to resolve difficulties with other unions. The expulsion of the

EETPU stemmed in part from the co-operation of the electricians when, in 1986. News International, publisher of The Times, moved its printing operations to Wapping, in East London, and sacked some 5,000 printers. The TUC suspended the EETPU from membership after it refused to accept the findings of disciplinary hearings into allega-tions that it had "poached"

members from other unions.
Although the National
Union of Journalists had called for the EETPU to hand back members poached from rival unions, the request was largely symbolic. Many have already left the industry.

Brenda Dean, the leader of the biggest print union at the time of the Wapping dispute, gave up her job as deputy general secretary of the catchbehaviour of the EETPU. all GPMU media union with a £150,000 payoff earlier this year. She has severed many of her links with the trade union movement and is now believed to be looking for a

Delegates win pledge on railways

By Nicholas Wood, political correspondent

network more attractive to

private investors, delegates

overwhelmingly backed a

resolution seeking a Labour

Mr Prescott said: "It will

certainly be one of the mea-

sures that we will consider in returning British Rail to a

safe, good-quality service.

Some of these franchises may

be five-year agreements. It is

not acceptable to us that a

pledge to reverse the tide.

Workers suffer assaults

BY ROSS TIEMAN

EMPLOYERS must make more effort to protect staff from violent attacks, and provide proper counselling or victims of violence at work, delegates at the Trades Union Congress in Black-

Attacks were now so com-monplace in the health ser-vice that nurses regarded them as a risk of the job. while bank staff, postal workers and even firemen were victims of often horrific ssaults, congress heard. Janet Atkinson, a com-

nunity nurse, said a survey by the health union Cohse had found that more than one health worker in ten had been attacked at work, and more than one in five had been threatened. Cohse was now dealing with more than 1,000 cases of assault a year,

had cases where members' families have been held hostage with shotguns to their heads." Peter Simpson, of the banking and finance union BIFU, told of bank staff being physically maimed or suffering long-term psychological problems as the result of bank raids.

Leaders of postal and bank workers said efforts by emloyers to make their services more user-friendly, by

Guidelines being drawn up by the Health and Safety Executive should be widely implemented. Long-term counselling should be made available to help the victims of violence and their families to cope with the trauma. ☐ The TUC has thrown its

weight behind government efforts to secure the location of a European Agency for Occupational Health and Safety in Edinburgh. Dele-gates yesterday ordered the TUC to use its best endeav ours in Brussels to ensure the government campaign

was a success. The TUC is already lobbying for the proposed European Central Bank to be

private operator with clapped-out old trains should

remain on some of our fast

Jimmy Knapp, general sec-retary of RMT, the rail and

maritime union, led TUC

condemnation of privatisa-

tion. Mr Knapp said the "mad axemen" of the cabinet

were proposing to destroy much of the rail network with

their ill-considered plans.

Fred Jepson, of the postal union NCU, said: "We have

removing security screens and asking staff to wear name badges, were increas-ing the dangers.

Mr Simpson called on

employers to adopt a pack-age of measures to improve staff protection and to help attack victims cope with the trauma. All bank staff should be trained in how best to respond to bank raids, with priority given to protection of life rather than money.

Ashdown rejects alliance

Paddy Ashdown says he will continue to reject any move towards another Lib/Lab pact oust the Conservatives

BRIEFS

(Sheila Gunn writes).

As he prepared for a tough reception from some delegates at the party's annual conference, the Liberal Democrat leader yesterday dismissed fears that he was seeking any formal alliance with other

Launching Challenge, Op-portunity and Responsibility. Mr Ashdown told a Westmin-ster press conference that the party's key policy document helped to fill the policy vacuum left by the other parties by charting the way to a post-Thatcher, post-socialist Britain.

The document qualifies the party's pro-federal Europe stance by arguing for changes to the EC institutions to enhance the power of the indi-vidual. The document also calls for a rethink on taxation policy so that voters have a clearer idea about the purpose of any tax changes proposed. Challenge, Opportunity and Responsibility (Liberal Democrat Publications Ltd. 8 Fordington Green, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1GB, £2.95).

Major backs Mellor

Downing Street said that David Mellor, the national heritage secretary, retains the prime minister's full support and that the question of Mr Mellor's resignation did not arise. The statement followed a story in the Daily Mail that he had been lent a flat and a car by his friend Elliott Bernerd, a property developer.

Tory whips report no de-mand from their MPs for Mr Mellor to go, and Sir Norman Fowler, the Conservative party chairman, met Mr Mellor yes terday and told him that there was no pressure from the party

rank and file for him to quit. The minister himself is bitterly angry at any suggestion of impropriety in his dealings with Mr Bernerd. He has told Mr Major that if there were any hint of corruption involved he would leave the government immediately.

Paisley 'will be back'

Sources in Ian Paisley's Democtane Unionist Party made clear that its temporary withdrawal from the talks on Northern Ireland is not intended to threaten the future of the process.

Dr Paisley and Peter Robinson, the deputy leader of the DUP, staged a walk-out from a talks sub-committee on Wednesday in protest at what they see as the downgrading of dis-cussion of articles 2 and 3 of the Irish constitution which lay claim to Northern Ireland. The articles are listed last for discussion behind economic. security and trade matters.

Yesterday Dr Paisley told journalists that it was pointless attempting to discuss aspects of so-called North South relations without first dealing with the fundamental constitutional issue. Party officials emphasised that the DUP remained firmly committed to f-





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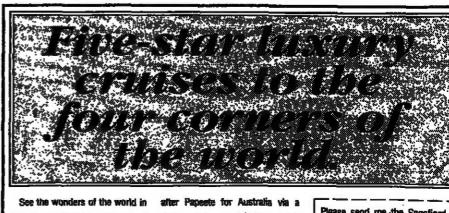
SARA Parkin may have been safely ensconsed in a television studio, but her name was on every delegate's lips at yester-day's opening of the Green party conference in Wolver-hampton. Activists are still reeling from her resignation as party leader last month.

An earnest discussion. under the theme of Reconciliation, tried to thrash out the party's troubles. Graham Redshaw, from Staffordshire.

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thought they were simple "We are hopelessly ignorant of group dynamics," he said. "When mammals come together a leader naturally emerges because of the need to survive. The party has failed to realise that there will always be leaders and followers. We have got to have a figurehead."

Mallen Baker, who is standing as one of the party's principal speakers, said: "I can only think that |Sara wants to create another party. I assume this is why she and Jonathon Porritt are rubbishing the party in



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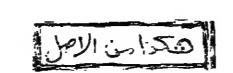
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Delayed deployment poses grave dangers for troops

Michael Evans, defence correspondent, assesses the need for a rapid deployment force for European troublespots as British troops prepare to go to Bosnia

BRITISH troops are being sent to Bosnia-Herzegovina at the worst possible time. The government has always been reluctant to send troops to the area, knowing the dangers they would face. Yet now, after a change of mind, a battalion group of 1,800 men is being prepared for what could become one of the most vulnerable United Nations peacekeeping missions since the Congo in the 1960s.

The cabinet discussed the deployment of troops to Bosnia at a meeting yesterday. Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary, told his colleagues the go-ahead from the UN was expected in a few days.

France, Italy and Canada are also ready to send at least 1,000 troops each. Spain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Norway and Denmark have volunteered smaller units for a contingency plan that envisages five battalions of varying sizes based at five zones near the cities of Banja Luka, Tuzla, Bihac, Mostar and Vitez.

The proposal to send a larger force to Bosnia highlights the way the Yugoslav issue has been handled piecemeal, ad hoc and usually war began, initially in Croatia, the UN. Europe and others have been slow to react.

Trying to catch up with events, rather than pre-empting them, is a dangerous game. Already the environment has changed since last month when John Major announced that 1,800 troops would be made available to the UN to escort humanitarian relief convoys. The deployment depended on a commitment by all sides to let the convoys through unscathed. Now there is no such commitment.

Future conflicts or potential conflicts will have to be confronted in a more co-ordinated way and on a sounder basis. The proposal earlier this year by Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, to form a UN rapid deployment force which could intervene before a civil war breaks out may be the answer. One of the dilemmas facing Nato and other burgeoning post-Cold war security organisations, such as the Western European Union

time with care. The local

police chief has just recom-

mended the thrice-weekly

45 minutes after the news

when, he says, "burglaries and general hooliganism

decline and activity on the

streets dies out".

The sudden peace is a result of the nightly screening of Bogatye Tozhe Plachut (The Rich Also

Cry), a 13-year-old Mexican

soap opera that began

showing on Russian tele-

vision earlier this year and has developed into an ob-

session uniting even the

most fractious former Soviet republics in viewer

But the policing proper-

ties of the soap opera are

not always so apparent as

they are in Bishkek. Quite

the contrary: it was recently

reported from a small town

in southern Russia that a

man had been stabbed to

death in a family row over

al has reached almost

hysterical proportions. The

head of a collective farm in

Konstaninova, one of the

remoter parts of Kirghizia.

has cut off all electricity on

his farm during the day to

stop his workers watching repeats of the programme

In recent weeks, the attention devoted to the seri-

enthusiasm.

one episode.

(WEU) and the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE), has been to keep pace with political developments, in particular the resurgence of nationalism.

When the Warsaw Pact and the Soviet Union collapsed, President Bush declared that the new enemy was unpredictability. Western governments proceeded to plan drastic cuts in their armed forces and defence budgets and Nato agreed to replace the static forces in Central Europe with multinational, rapid reaction units which, theoretically, could be called upon to intervene in conflicts which threatened the stability and security of its member states.

The strategy was a sound foolish enough to predict under what circumstances the restructured alliance forces would act, nor how fiexible were the geographical parameters. Certainly no planner envisaged then that Nato's allpurpose divisions could ever

play a role in Yugoslavia.

These mobile, rapidly de-ployable forces will be operational in Central Europe by 1995. Are they to simply act as a permanent, albeit smaller, force for stability and as a balance to Russia's conven-tional and nuclear might, or should they be given a wider role? If Nato cannot learn from the experience of Yugoslavia, the concept of maintaining peace and stability in Europe will be undermined.

In the light of the separate decisions earlier this year by Nato and the nine-nation WEU to add peacekeeping to its list of responsibilities, the alliance now has the opportunity to demonstrate its enthusiasm for this new role by designating part of the restructured forces in Central Europe for UN missions. The troops should be trained for peacekeeping and placed on a sufficiently high alert status to be deployed to troublespots in Europe at short notice at the request of the UN.

They could provide the hard core of a peacekeeping force sent in as first line troops which could be increased in size, or replaced, by troops from other countries once they

tear ducts. It is seen by

Russians as a welcome

distraction from their woes,

although the Schadenfreu-

de of the title doubtless helps to fuel interest. The

luckless characters in the soap, faster paced than the average European or Amer-

ican effort, romp through illicit affairs, abortions, di-

vorces and at least one

near-miss financial crisis in

The torrid events are

A discussed at length over

dinner, in the Metro and on the way to work the next

morning. Russian shop as-

sistants, never the most service-oriented, refuse to

be interrupted by anything

so mundane as a customer

analysis of the characters' foibles. In the Black Sea

region of Abkhazia, even

sniper fire is reported to stop during transmission.
The power of The Rich

Also Cry to disrupt even the

most solid of institutions

was demonstrated on Monday when Veronica Castro,

the actress who plays Mari-

ana, the main character, visited Moscow and went

to the Bolshoi to see Swan

Lake. The performance

came to a virtual halt as her

fellow members of the audi-

ence tried to mob her.

wanting to know if she

thought she could be at-

tracted to a Russian man

(on the basis of her fictional

record, that should not be

much of a problem). "Love

is a hurricane, a violent

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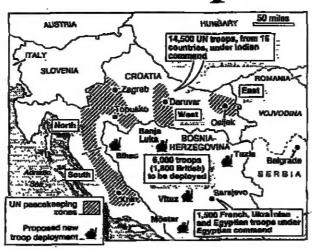
a single episode.

Soapy sighs bring

Bolshoi to a halt

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

Those intending to take an evening stroll around the dark and not always welcoming corners of Bishkek, the Kirghizian capital, should choose their



have been trained for the particular mission. French involvement would be crucial because of their experience and overall military capability. Ways would have to be found. therefore, to avoid attaching a Nato label to the peacekeeping force. They could be called simply the UN's rapid deploy-

ment force (Europe). At present there is too much duplication. Instead of Nato, the WEU, the CSCE and the European Community jos-tling for new responsibilities or, in the case of Yugoslavia,

attempting to avoid them, the prime duty for "crisis preven-tion" and peacekeeping tion" and peacekeeping should be left to the UN but only if it is properly financed. As Douglas Hurd, the for-eign secretary, said recently, a

commitment to peacekeeping on any scale will have implications for all alliance members. But if Nato governments can agree to place peacekeeping in Europe as the top priority, the new rapid reaction forces in Central Europe, which have been budgeted for, will pro-



Armed response: a young militiaman, automatic rifle at the ready at a Sarejevo checkpoint, gives the three-finger salute that means "I am a Serb"

'Genocide' attacked by Ozal

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

PRESIDENT Ozal of Turkey accused Serbia and the Armenians yesterday of "atrocities and genocide" against civil-ians in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Nagorno-Karabakh, the Armenian-dominated enclave inside Azerbaijan. He was speaking at an economic meeting of the Islamic Conference Organisation .

Mr Ozal said the failure of the international community to intervene effectively in Bosnia "further aggravates the situation and a solution becomes more difficult with each passing day". Bosnia will also be debated by foreign ministers of members of the Council of Europe in Istanbul today. Turkey, which has pressed for limited military intervention in Bosnia, is plainly frustrated at Europe's inability to deal with a war in which most of the casualties are Muslim

Yesterday, Michalis Papaconstantinou, the Greek for-eign minister, said Turkey and Greece were to set up a hotline. Hikmet Cetin. his Turkish counterpart, said they had agreed to solve bilateral issues "through dialogue".

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Italy lukewarm to power plea

Amato allays fears of Rome opposition

ITALY'S parliament and our-ment faced on one hand the Milan currency market, one rency markets yesterday gave a cool response to a formal the Socialist prime minister. for special powers for three years to manage what he called the country's "economic

Signor Amato announced on Wednesday night that he would seek the special powers. provoking opposition fears that his proposal would amount to a surrender of parliamentary power and vio-late the constitution. In a speech to the Senate yesterday. the prime minister sought to allay these fears, saying the government was trying to find ways of shortening delays because economic decisions sometimes had to be made

instantly.

Annual budgets would still be submitted to parliament for approval, he said, but the special powers would allow the government to revoke previously approved expenditure, raise taxes or pump investment into key sectors of the economy at short notice. Signor Amato said the govern-

need for "instantaneous intervention" and on the other "the problem of parliamentary timetables". Increasingly close relationships between the economies of many countries could lead to "devastating ployment, prices, the cost of money, which may be avoided only by immediately effective

No date has yet been set for voting on the proposal. Signor Amato is to address the Cham-ber of Depunies (lower house) mentators believe that if parbe adopted to bolster the existing decree law system. Unlike the Basic Law of Germany, which voted in similar special powers on the economy in 1967, the Italian constitution does not provide for states of emergency other than in

Strong speculation against the lira raged unabated yesterday with the Deutschmark closing at 765.40 lire on the

lira higher than the level on Wednesday. Carlo Ciampi, the Bank of Italy governor, insisted yesterday that there would be no devaluation. The bank believes devaluation would let the government off the hook on necessary cuts in public expenditure to bring down the budget deficit and public debt. But many commentators, including La Stampa newspaper, believe devaluation to be inevitable.

Signor Ciampi himself ap-

peared lukewarm about the delegation of special powers, not least because Signor Amato had said in his proposal that extraordinary govern-ment intervention in the economy would be invoked only at the request of the governor of the central bank. I ask myself if a small college would not be better than a single person," Signor Ciampi said. Such a committee would have to include people from outside the central bank, he added. Experts said Signor Ciampi feared that he might the central bank's



Pet subject: a man in St Cloud, west of Paris, strolling past two posters, left, from the Communist party and the other from the extreme-right National Front, urging a "no" vote in the referendum on the Maastricht treaty

in grip of poll frenzy

France

From Charles Bremner IN PARIS

THIRTEEN million children trooped into school at the start of the new year yesterday and, according to a poll, 43 per cent of the girls had trouble sleep-ing the night before and 4 per cent could not get a wink.

Poli mania has never ripped France so intensely as in the countdown to Sunday, when their publication is banned for the final week of the Maastricht treaty referendum campaign. Last night, Ifop reported 53 per cent in favour, a drop of three points in a week, with 47 per cent against and the undecided or abstainers dropping two points to 22

Polls have driven the psy chology of the campaign from the 60 per cent "yes" of the early summer to the majority "no" in late August and the ebb and flow of opinion over how reliable these snapshots of the electoral mood are as an indicator of the referendum

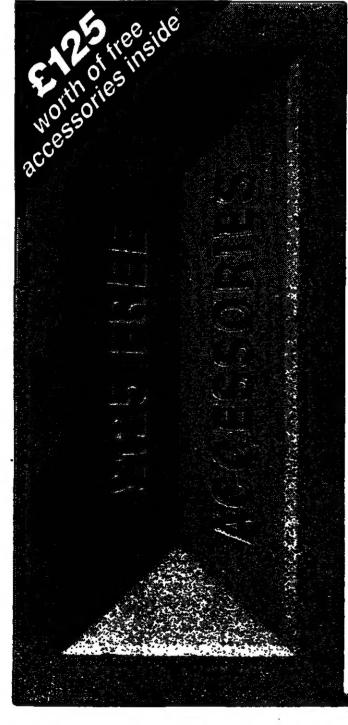
on September 20. Several leaders on the "no" side have called foul this week. Jean-Pierre Chevenement, the Socialist dissident, said polls were being doctored to favour the "yes" side. Gerard Karcher, a Gaullist senator, complained to the state polling commission over surveys by Louis Harris and the CSA company. Le Canard En-chainé, the satirical weekly, has accused the polisters of

"torturing the figures". The firms deny the enarge.
"Our record is excellent," says
Michel Brulé, the president of
BVA, one of the six main
polling organisations.
France's other referendums of
the past three decades closely
followed poll findings, he said. The firms deny the charge. With the exception of a Harris poll, the differences between companies have been less than their margins of error, M Brulé points out. These are usually about three points. The Harris poll that recorded a 59 (instead of about 52) per cent 'yes' vote on Wednesday also reported that four in ten voters were undecided or planned to abstain. The others put the undecided at about 25 per cent

The pollsters agree that not error, accounts for the swings tracked since June. We are in an area where opinion is not ready-made, not structured by partisan sympa-thies." Jérôme Jaffré, the héad of Sofres, said this week. M Brulé said there was so much becoming not a question of Europe but of the credibility of the whole establishment: politicians, businessmen, Nobel

prize winners and the rest". The main target of the critics is the pollsters' method. They use the computer-assisted telephone interview system. in which pollsters telephone the opinions of a representa-tive 800 to 1,000 voters across the country. The feature that leaves the French system most open to criticism is the practice of adjusting the figures to reflect the propensity of voters to lie about their affiliation.

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第250250316153 Greece jails wanted Stasi agent

Athens: A former East German security service agent, Helmut Voigt, 50, who is wanted in Germany on terror-ism charges, was jailed for ten months yesterday for using a false passport to enter Greece. Germany, which requested Voigt's arrest, will seek his extradition to face charges of complicity in murder, stem-ming from the 1983 bombing of a French cultural centre in West Berlin in which one person was killed. Voigt, who is suspected of supplying a terrorist with 55lb of explosives for the 1983 attack, said he would ask for political asylum in Greece (Reuter)

Rebels killed

Thilisi: About 30 nationalist Abkhazi rebels were killed in a mine explosion, the Georgian National Guard reported. They were trying to pass be-tween the National Guard and rebel lines between Echera and Achadar. (AFP)

Fallen idols

Budapest: Statues recalling communism or any subject connected with it will be removed from Budapest's public places, at a cost of at least £80,000, before October 23, the anniversary of the 1956 uprising, officials said. (AFP)

To cap it all

Oslo: Norwegian social sec-urity refused to buy a £17 base-ball cap for Arne Johansen, who is losing his hair from cancer treatment, but offered to buy him a wig worth more than £125 instead. (Reuter)

Hamburg parents fight refugee influx

PARENTS in the smart and leafy northeastern Hamburg suburb of Ohl-stedt have been manning the barricades against for-eigners and 'successfully beating them back.

With near military organisation, the parents set up rotas by day to block all the ways into the local primary school and posted guards round it by night. Their mission was to stop lorries bringing in contain-ers to house refugees.

The young parents may be yuppies, but they are certainly not skinheads. Typical of Germany's prosperous middle class, many support the Social Demosupport the Social Demo-crats (SPD) and say they are ashamed and borrified by television pictures of by television pictures of right-wing thugs attacking the police outside refugee hostels. "We are ready to integrate with refugees immediately," according to Horst Koch, one of the fathers on the havicades

fathers on the barricades.

"But we had to stop them bringing in the containers."

Hamburg wanted to set up 40 container mobile homes on the school play-ground. The city adminis-tration picked the site

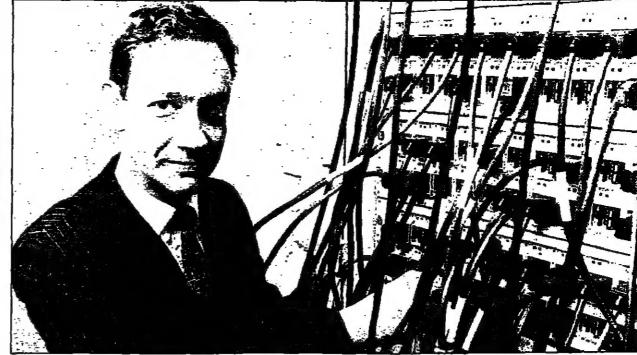
out of space to house the 150 new asylum seekers and 50 ethnic German every day under the federal quota system for sharing the burden of accommodating the refugees. The city hoped to set up the containers in the playground for at least 100 of them.

The parents, however, had other ideas. Although they said they had nothing against foreigners, they became instant nimsys (not in my school yard) and built for a long siege, they set up a mess tent equipped with camp beds, hot coffee and garden chairs for the volunteer guards. Parents said they were worried not only that there would be nowhere for the pupils to play. but also that their children would be assaulted and the crime rate would rise.

Paced with this stand. the city authorities caved in yesterday and promised to find an alternative site for be easy. Like cities all over Germany, Hamburg is also overflowing with asylum

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Making the connections: Martin Taylor of Madge shows the conventional cables that create a network

Thinking small when times are tough

wo of the most com-mon buzzwords in the computer industry at present are "downsizing" and "right-sizing", but like most slick terminology they are rarely adequately defined. All computer sales people tend to adapt the terms to suit their product portfolio, whether that a mid-range system, a desktop workstation, a person-

al computer or a PC network. The principle of downsizing and rightsizing means the transfer of applications that have previously run on large. expensive machines - mainframe or minicomputer - to smaller cheaper machines.

Downsizing seems an attractive option as smaller machines are becoming more powerful and mainframes and minicomputers often have the disadvantage of running proprietary operating systems that lock customers into a single supplier. Some, however, doubt the seeming simplicity with which downsizing can be

Robin Bloor, the chief executive of the consultancy Butler Bloor, believes that many companies with a downsizing approach could be building up long-term problems.

Businesses with personal computers all over their desks have lost an element of data security, but the financial management does not realise that this reduced security could Switching from large machines is not only sound economics,

Sean Hallahan writes. The move

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lead to financial loss in the future," he says. Software development on new projects is another area where he believes that the majority of suppliers have not yet fully adapted their mainframe development tools to smaller systems.

Mr Bloor does not op-pose downsizing, but advises caution in the implementation of the process and being wary of financial equations that are attractive now but could cause trouble

in a few years. Still, the equations look good. Hardware prices can be a quarter of those of a mainframe, and sometimes the systems can cost less than a mainframe's

maintenance costs alone. Mid Kent Water made considerable real savings when it dropped an old ICL mainframe and downsized to servers and PC local area

also changes company culture financial director of Mid Kent Water, says the company halved its £1.5 million annual expenditure on information systems. He explains: "When I joined Mid Kent Water in September 1990, I was confronted with the problem that

information technology was costing a ridiculous proportion of systems can cost our total turnover. The first thing that I did was call in a consultant more about IT than I did. We did not use the

word downsizing, which we are all now throwing about quite liberally. It was a question of controlling

The consultant was John Rankin, who recommended the collection of new, smaller computers while the mainframe was farmed out to a facilities management company, where it continues to run a few applications that are not networks. Robert Atwood, the run on the new equipment.

Mr Rankin knows that security is often said to be lacking on such systems. "Although it is weak, it is improving," he says. Mr Rankin is certain that although the operating system Unix can be deficient in some areas of security, enough safe-guards are built within the many companies. total system to overcome any

problems. As a further precaution, Mid Kent has set up a special project team to investigate all espects of security.

Both Mr Rankin and Mr Atwood say there is more to downsizing than buying a smaller and less expensive machine. Mr Atwood says: "We were not only changing the hardware, we were changing the whole culture. A large number of people have become used to having access to tools like spreadsheets on screen in front of them."

There are, of course, more tangible benefits. "The electricity bill for the mainframe machine alone was about £1,000 a month. This has been significantly reduced." Mr Rankin says. Software licences, calculated on the basis of how many users are connected to the mainframe, have also been cut.

Downsizing may be a more complex, and potentially expensive, process than the glib marketing jargon would have us believe but can certainly be worth investigating - with

f you are managing a computer network you did not set up, or buying one from scratch, you are not alone. Selecting and installing an appropriate local area network is difficult for

Growth in personal computer sales in recent years, cou-pled with an increasing desire to share information held in different software applications, has heightened the need for a way to allow such machines to work together.

In 1989, seven out of ten personal computers sold were to be used by themselves. This year, market research reports, less than half will be "stand-

Being able to link portable computers into the corporate network is also becoming fashionable as professionals opt out of meetings to spend more time with customers.

The connection process should soon be made easier by technology that uses credit card-size network adaptors. With special software inside the portable, users can access information stored in network files and printers. New portables with built-in

radio frequency transmitters

— so-called "wireless modems" - can be connected to a corporate network from virtually anywhere. Important update information can also be automatically sent to a portable, wherever it is.

Stand-alone computers are no longer enough, Clive Couldwell

reports: networking is the name of the business communications game

More conventionally, networks consist of cables that link personal computers so that they can exchange information. Usually one computer on the network holds information that needs to be centrally stored and controls the sharing of costly peripherals

such as printers. The three main cabling methods are twisted-pair, co-axial and fi-All should

bre-optic. be considered and probably mixed. Ideally, cabling should com-

bine telephone with data communication, and planning should look several years ahead. "More intelligence is being applied to the cabling infrastructure of networks to locate and isolate any faults to keep the network as bulletproof as possible," says Martin Taylor, the product marketing manager at Madge Networks. "As networks get bigger.

more people depend on them

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and it becomes more important to prevent faults from bringing them down." Local area networks suffer from several drawbacks. Although the technology allows complicated work, there are

more components to go wrong

and they un-doubtedly do. There is also a Portables with confusion of products on radio frequency sale and a lack transmitters can of standards to ensure that they will all be connected to work with one a corporate Predicting

how technolnetwork change in the short to medium term when developments are moving so fast is difficult for those who find the responsibility for managing a network has been dumped on them. Several related issues have to be considered — what are staff likely to want from the product

chosen, to which standard is a

product likely to conform and

The ability of different parts

how much it will all cost.

of the company to communicate has become a key factor in responding quickly to changing market conditions. Ideally a network adds value to the information by making it available to the right person, in the right form and at the right time.

One of the more publicised new technologies in net-working is that of groupware. Using products based on the concept of people working together, those on a network should be able to create collectively and modify files and documents at the same time, to brainstorm new ideas and to conduct meetings.

Another buzzword being used by suppliers to influence the way we regard network technology is "downsizing" where applications are redeveloped to run on networks of personal computers rather than larger, centralised mainframe and minicomputers. This approach has recently clashed in an area many have started to call the "server" market. Servers use powerful PC componentry and store copious quantities of information centrally. Dozens of other computers enjoy access to

them by network links. This new breed of server specially designed for networks offers many of the security features previously available on much larger mainframes at a fraction of the cost and complexity.

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he computer industry may be suffering, but buyers have never had it so good. M arr as next week's Business Computing 92 exhibition at Earls Court, London, will illustrate. The falling cost of microprocessor power, combined with oversupply in the recession-hit market, has created a feast of high-specification machines at bargain prices.

There is more choice than ever. plus the opportunity to pick up extras such as software or peripherals in a package deal.

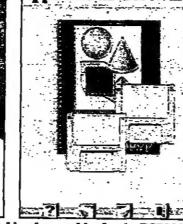
Price cutting on personal computers is not new. The difference is that now everybody is doing it; even IBM and Compag have introduced "budget-price" ranges. Now most manufacturers offer PCs of similar specification, and fight it out on price. Fortunately for the industry. some new technologies in the offing should help to stimulate the market during the next few years. One of the biggest developments is portability. Dataquest, a market research company, says European portable sales grew by 41 per cent in 1991, four times faster than those of PCs overall.

One consultant who has been converted to portable computers is David Freeman, the director of audit computer services at Arthur Andersen, the accountancy firm and business consultancy. Wherever he travels on business, his Compaq goes with him. "You can get all the functions you need in a portable computer, so why have a desktop machine at all?" Mr Freeman says. "The portable is a versatile tool. Having it in my briefcase is like being able to walk around with my office." The view is mirrored by the company as a whole; already 400 partners and associates have switched to portable

Mr Freeman, as well as being part of the mobile-computing

Executives need not feel isolated from their PCs when they are out of the office.





Applications Software

Alan Sugar's new baby: tutorial jumbo graphics for the PC7000

trend, also has to advise on comput-ing generally. One technology he considers underrated is CD-rom, a

As telecommunications technique of storing hundreds of thousands of pages of computer-

items can be instantly retrieved. It has been held back by incompatibility between different brands and high prices for the software. This is information at your fingertips," he says. "You can carry a CD-rom on your shoulder and

plug it in anywhere you need it, but people have not yet recognised the Already it is possible to send and nal, and to plug into remote data-As telecommunications networks become more sophisticated,

transmitting and receiving comised information on a single computer data could become almost as pact disc, from which individual puter data could become almost as easy as making a telephone call. Imtelephone call. Im-The system is so proved data communications simple that even should spur growth in the PC market

the technical by making tasks such as document boffins like it' image processing. group working, speech recognition, computer-aided design and videoconferencing easier to perform.

In a few years, experts forecast that desktop PCs will be able to understand 20,000 words spoken in natural language, perhaps twice as many as in the average adult's active vocabulary. Another innova-tion is pen-based systems, which enable a user to write on a flar computer screen with an electronic

The business bargain in a briefcase

Ease of use is a feature claimed by every computer maker and delivered by few. One company trying bard in this area is Amstrad, which will be offering a new range of computers at the show.

Amstrad pioneered easy home computing in the early 1980s when it introduced the first home computer system to have a single plug. Now, in typical Amstrad style, it is offering money back to anyone who buys its NC100 Notepad computer and cannot use it in five minutes. Alan Sugar, the founder and chairman of Amstrad, does not expect many returns. "It is so simple to operate", he says, "that even the technical boffins like it." Amstrad's new PC7000 range will even come with a removable sticker showing how to put the

system together, and an on-screen tutorial featuring jumbo graphics to take users through the basics. Mr Sugar admits: "There is nothing technically new about our latest machines. The PC7000 is a me-too, bread-and-butter product."

mstrad, he adds, is in the PC race to stay because of lower overheads. "We are the Ford Motor Company of the computer industry. We shall stick it out until others throw in the towel."

Less confident of survival are the dealers and resellers. Their businesses are collapsing or being swal-lowed at a rate of 400 every six months, according to Romtec, a Berkshire market-research company. The price war has heavily eroded dealer profit margins, and by using direct sales, manufacturers are able to undercut them. Mail order is one of the fastest-



You can take it with you: David Freeman, a computer expert, and his versatile portable

by other manufacturers that he

cannot match. He says: "There are

some marvellous offers, such as

sale-or-return, as well as price

growing areas of the business. As users become more sophisticated, they are often happy to buy products direct from an advertisement and install the equipment themselves if it means lower prices.

To survive, dealers are having to develop specialist knowledge on target markets or become expert in putting together hybrid systems based on equipment from a variety of different suppliers. However, it may have gone too far, some dealers are being wooed by manufprotection, which allows retailers to drop the price at their own discre-tion without losing their profit acturers who have belatedly realised that there are still customers margin." who value the advice and handholding that a dealer can provide. Mr Sugar, for example, complains that retailers are being given deals

As manufacturers, distributors, resellers and retailers suffer, it is good news for consumers. Never has there been a better time to buy a

personal computer. Business Computing 92 will take place at Earls Court. London, from next Tuesday to Friday.

Speedy software saves church fund

grown remarkably in the past year, but it has not been a time of innovation. Visitors to the Business Computing 92 show will find some new products at competitive prices, but most are old favourites in new guises.

The predominant theme is compatibility with Microsoft Windows, which by using small diagrams makes per-sonal computers and their software easier to use than the heavily text-based DOS operating system used on most

To the surprise of many people, integrated software also remains popular. It allows information from word processor, spreadsheet and database to be combined through a single program that contains

all three functions. Nowadays, the consistent way that all Windows applications work seems to do away with the need for that. "Everyone had

integrated pack-ages written off a year ago," says Mick Andon, the editor of What PC? magazine.
"The sophisticat-

ion of the big appli-cations had outgrown the basic word processor and spreadsheet that are bundled into an integrated package." He believes, however. that one reason integrated applications are making a comeback is their smallness. "With the popul-

arity of light note-book computers. people do not want to use up limited hard disc space. An integrated application takes much less space than Windows and an assortment of sepa-

rate software packages." However, the main selling point, at a time when applications software is becoming more complex and taking up more computer memory and disc space, is their simplicity and ease of use. The most consistently popular integrat-ed piece of software has been

Microsoft Works. Such software proved invaluable to Janet Wootton, who is the minister of the Union Chapel in Islington. north London, when she launched a fund-raising appeal.

"We used it to produce a £4 million plan to restore and develop what is probably the finest Victorian chapel in the country," she says.

A company was set up to raise funds, and the software was used for conventional business activities. The crunch came when the fund-raisers wanted to apply for a big

How high-tech helped a

minister produce a £4 million

appeal plan

council grant. A business plan had to be urgently completed, but much of the information needed had been supplied almost too late.

Mrs Wootton says: "We had to work fast to meet get our application in, and integration let us work at high speed. My husband was doing the spreadsheets as I was writing

the text and doing the layout. "I could put his work into the document in seconds. We



Janet Wootton: computer kept the deadline

handed it in with one minute to spare — we could not have done it without an integrated "The software market has

held up better than anyone expected," says Marek Vaygelt, the research director at the market analyst Romtec. "Sales are up 60 per cent on the year before, but a lot of that is because of the changeover from DOS systems to Windows. People are buying new versions of their existing software so that they can use

By now, almost all big software manufacturers have started to produce their mainstream products in Windows versions. Even DOS programs may have to work in a similar way to Windows if they are not to appear outdated.

One of the last companies to make the switch has been Wordstar, which once led the

word-processing field. Word-star for Windows will be on display at the show, along with a new DOS version that has Windows-like" diagrams.

Meanwhile, the present market leader, Word Perfect, has introduced new versions of its package using Windows and the presentation graphics package Draw Perfect. In addition, Claris, Apple Computer's software house, is introducing a Windows version of Filemaker Pro, the most popular database application for Apole Macintosh systems. Overall, the bestselling

applications continue to be word processing and spreadsheets - although one change in recent years has been the rise of anti-virus applications - two, Central Point and Dr Solomon's, are among the top ten software packages.

Most integrated

> upon existing ap-plications which have been reduced in size and altered to make them work The newly an-nounced Word

software is based

Perfect Works, for example, contains Letter Perfect, a 'cut-down" version of Word Perfect. This sort of thing is quite easy

for large com-panies to do," Mr Andon says. According to Mr Vaygeit, there has also been an increase in sales of another kind of integrated product, the "office" package. This is a boxed set of word processor, spreadsheet and other business applications at a greatly reduced price. Microsoft Office, for example, con-tains £1,600 worth of software for £575 and account-

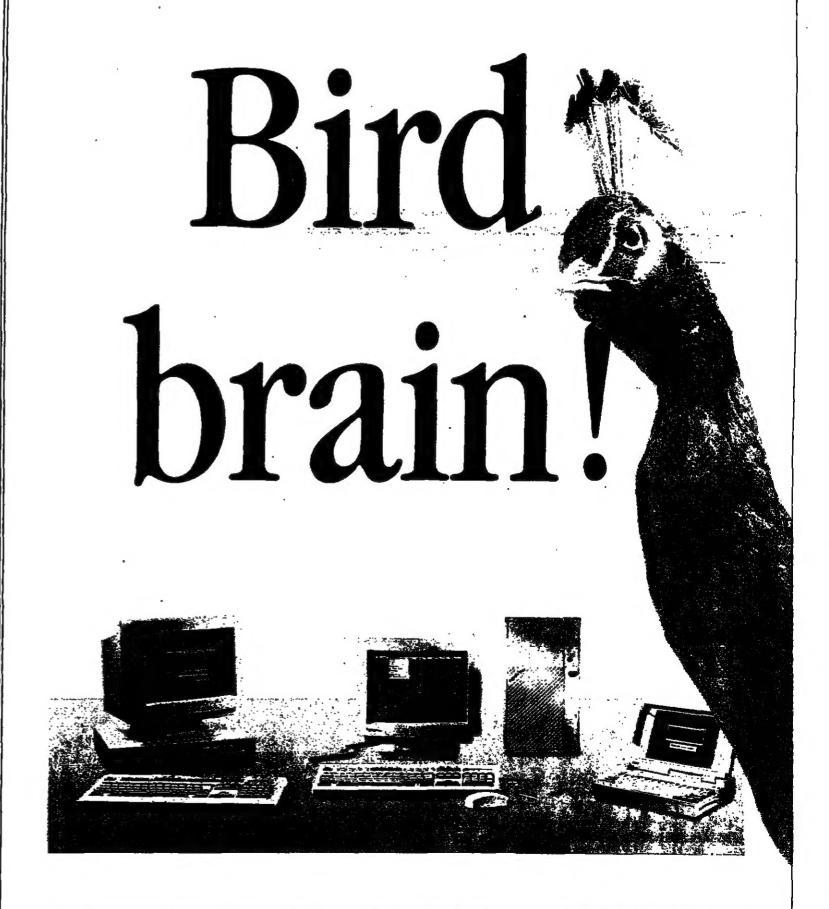
ed for 51 per cent of the company's sales last

"It is a good time to buy, but you do not get something for nothing; there is a reason why these packages are cheap." Mr Vaygelt says. "You will find that out when you look at the cost of the upgrades."

His advice to would-be buyers is: "Go for a mainstream package from a main vendor - they all work properly these days. There will be upgrades and support, and there is not much to choose between

While there are welcome improvements to this year's crop of new products, there are few surprises. The existing software companies have mature product lines, and the market has too much inertia to make it easy for revolutionary

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Telephone techonology that can deter bomb

hoaxers and sex pests is welcome, but

there are drawbacks. Matthew May explains

phone calls made in Britain can now be traced within a few seconds. By the end of next year, that figure will rise to 90 per cent, which will deter dangerous callers such as kidnappers and bomb hoaxers. In the past, they have had to be kept talking while the calls were traced manually. As the number of electronic and digital exchanges has increased, so too has BT's ability to provide new services, such as identifying malicious callers. Recently the company announced that it will spend £11 million a year to maintain 14 regional offices to give help to the victims of possibly 15 million mischievous calls each year.

As part of the service, the exchange can be programmed to recognise an agreed digit on the customer's telephone. Once this is set up, the customer has only to press the chosen button if a malicious call is received. This sounds an alarm and produces a printout of both numbers.

However, the new technology potentially offers a far more controversial service, which is permitted in about half of the states of America, but banned in others on the ground of privacy. It is known as caller identification or "caller-ID", and uses a special unit next to the subscribers telephone to display a caller's number, enabling subscribers to decide whether or not to answer a particular call. BT has now announced it is considering the introduction of caller-ID in Britain next year, a service that will cost users about £50 a year.

By contrast with the United States, where the piecemeal introduction of the system and its proscription in some states means that it mostly works only for local calls, the BT system will be national and display the number of virtually any call made within Britain.

BT is promoting the new service as a useful guard against obscene or harassing calls, but there are disadvantages. To begin with, caller-ID greatly reduces the advantage of being exdirectory, as more than 20 per cent of London telephone subscribers choose to be, since ex-directory numbers are displayed like any others. Some American systems even display the subscribers name as well as the number they are calling from.

Some counselling organisations, such as the Samaritans, are particularly concerned that people should contin-ue to be able to call them anonymously. Other groups, such as social workers, may have good reason for not wanting to give the number from which they are

Other groups are delighted by caller-1D. Emergency services in America say it reduces hoax calls, and restaurants and food takeaways can be more sure of bookings and orders when they know the number of the person calling. Some mail order and finance companies in America have linked caller-ID to credit-rating

databases so they can instantly check a The BT system will callers' financial status, and other busidisplay the number nesses match incoming numbers to their of virtually every customer or marketcall made ing information re-

Soon, it will be possible for individual subscribers to compile lists of numbers that they want to be put through to their telephone automatically, while others are diverted to an answering machine.

They will also be able to compile blacklists of numbers that will not even ring the telephone; the ideal way to avoid unsolicited canvassers or persis-



Numbers game: There are doubts about a new BT identification facility

tent double-glazing sales people. Concerns over privacy, however, have ensured that in most American states where the service is allowed, and in Canada, it is matched by another new service, "call-blocking", which allows subscribers to opt out of the sys-tem, so that their numbers are not dis-

played to those with

caller-ID. This raises the question of whether everyone should have the choice of opting out. those who can show a genuine need should be allowed to

do so. And if callblocking is available to all, who should pay for it? Some American systems have been obliged by local laws to offer free callblocking, while others, such as those in Canada, have a blocking charge per

call. This means that Canadians who

more if they want their numbers not to be displayed. Many, not surprisingly, are furious, and say both services are merely ways for the industry to make

Yet if call-blocking is free to everybody and sales reps and malicious callers start to use it, the very purpose of caller-ID is negated. To overcome this, a counter-retaliation is being offered in the US. Anonymous call rejection allows caller-ID subscribers automatic refusal of any calls from numbers using a call-blocker.

For better or worse, all this confusion will soon be arriving in Britain. Authorities such as Oftel, the telecommunications monitoring body, and the European Commission, contend that when caller-ID is introduced, subscribers should also be allowed call-blocking services, but equally, they should be able to choose whether to accept calls from blocked numbers.

In a couple of years' time, telephone users may find themselves paying for one, two or three new services, with little net advantage.

The CD game of peace and quiet about 20,000 players are likely to be bought in the first

£30 apiece and a great favourite with children have become an expensive way for parents to achieve

peace and quiet in the home.
The UK market in computer garnes, succeeding vinyl LP records and videotapes in children's affections, is expected to be worth £500 million this year, almost doubling last year's figure of £275 million. The growth is largely

due to two Japanese games companies, Sega and Nintendo, which produce cartridgepased systems.

Now Philips is hoping to win a share of that market with a system called Compact Disc Interactive (CD-I). This system stores sound, pictures and text on a compact disc. which is linked to a

relevision set.

Because CD-I players
are expensive, at about £600, and monopolise a television set, the Dutch electronics company is trying to promote the system as being suitable for the whole family and for information and education as well as entertainment.

Although Philips says that a wide variety of titles has been sold, it admits that the most

popular discs are games. Whenever multimedia formats such as CD-I are mentioned, people talk about interactive encyclopaedias and other serious applications," says John Garcia, of Novologic, an American software company. "Let's be honest — we would all prefer a world in which our children sit in front of the television not watching a silly cartoon or playing video games, but using this powerful display device to absorb mountains of

knowledge. "However, this is just not going to happen. The computer software companies made a similar mistake in the mid 1980s. Every large publisher High-tech touch for armchair

entertainment

rushed out to create so-called home productivity and educa-tional software and got their fingers burnt."

Steve May, a London-based video journalist, says "People do not want to be educated in

At home with a round of golf

the living room. They want to

come home after a hard day's

better than expected and that

work and be entertained." Not suprisingly, Philips dis-agrees. The company says CD-I is a family product, is selling

CD-I is pulling in ordinary families, the type that would buy a satellite TV system." Mr Turner says that surveys suggest that CD-l is being used by all members of the family, rather than just the younger members. CD-I has shown that you can sell multimedia products to the British

public," he adds. However, even if the main use of CD-I is eventually shown to be games, they will at least be better games with new features, such as high-quality moving video. They will also benefit the manufacturers of

year. The sales rate is faster, it

says, than when compact disc

Simon Turner, Philips's CD-I director in the UK, says: "We have found that the typical CD-I purchaser has an

average income of less than £17,500, which surprised us.

players were introduced.

"A games cartridge is about 20 times more expensive to produce than a CD," Mr Garcia says. The format is bound to be attractive to cartridge-based games companies." Gerry Berkeley, the

computer games man-ager for HMV Records, says that lower production costs should mean cheaper computer games. "I'll believe that when I see it," he says.

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6.30 Breakfast News begins with Breakfast News until 6.55 when Laune Mayer and Olenka Frenkiel present news and topical reports with regular business, sport, weather, regional news and travel

bulletins (78080459) 9.05 Major Dad. American domestic comedy series set on an army camp (r) (6461614) 9.30 Wildlife Safari to Ethiopia. The expedition continues its journey through Ethiopia and visits the cave of Sof Omar, home to some one million bats, before moving on to the Rift Valley (r) (95492)

10.00 News, regional news and weather (4746879) 10.05 Playdays. For the very young (s) (9558817) 10.25 Barney. Animation (r) (4749966) 10.35 Hudson and Halls. The camp cooks prepare omelettes and vegetable and sausage frittata for their guest, singer Loma Dallas (r) (5495275)

11.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (8214695) 11.05 The High Chaparral. Western series (r) (3928879) 11.50 The History Man. Bryan McNemey traces the history of Comwall written in

12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (7206140) 12.05 Summer Scene. Entertainment magazine presented by Caron Keating and Linda Mitchell (2321782) 12.55 Regional News and weather (32147630)

1.00 One O'Clock News. (Ceefax) Weather (82091) 1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (43277701) 1.50 Eldorado (r). (Ceefax) (s) (45918188) 2.20 Going for Gold. General knowledge quiz with European contestants. The question-master is the irrepressible Henry Kelly (86884966)

2.45 Film: Leave All Fair (1985) starring John Gielgud and Jane Birkin.
Intriguing fact-based drama from New Zealand about the life of
John Middleton-Murray, husband of writer Katherine Mansfield. It
uses flashbacks to chart their unusual relationship and his acquaintance with a young French woman who reminds him of Katherine. Directed by John Reid (4094188)

4.10 The All New Popeye Show (r) (6636701) 4.35 Maid Marian and Her Merry Men. Tony Robinson's medieval role-reversal comedy

starring Kate Lonergan (8875072)

5.00 Newsround (3809492) 5.10 Byker Grove. Last episode of the children's drama (r). (Ceefax) (3565324)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (990188). Northern Ireland: Inside

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. (Ceefax) Weather (817)

6.30 Regional News Magazines (169). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Eldorado (Ceefax) (s) (1140)

7.30 Bread. More comic shirking from Carla Lane's family of Liverpudian lead-swingers (r). (Ceefax) (s) (463)
8.00 The Best of Challenge Anneka. Highlights from Anneka Rice's past programmes in which she set out to do the seemingly impossible and usually succeeded (Ceefax) (9256) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news

and weather (8409) 9.30 Between the Lines: Out of the Game. Tough and involving drama series about internal investigations in the police force, starring Neil Pearson. When a youth is shot by police on a troublesome estate violence erupts, but it is nothing compared to the temper of the local chief superintendent (Pete Postlethwaite). (Ceefax) (s) (208879)



A single parent's fight for justice: Sizzy Spacek (10.20pm)

10.20 Film: Marie — A True Story (1985) starring Sissy Spacek and Jeff Daniels. Solid, worthy fact-based drama about a Tennessee single-parent who is threatened by the local establishment after she uncovers corruption within the parole board. Directed by Roger Donaldson (696633)

12.10am Film: The Fall of the House of Usher (1960) starring Vincent Price. Stylish horror movie, based on Edgar Allen Poe's story, about a family cursed with hereditary madness. The first of director Roger Corman's eight Poe adaptations. (Ceefax) (9320096)

1.25 Weather (8739676) BBC2

6.45 Open University: Rural Life — Image and Reality (6023324). Ends at 7.10 (9943188) 8.00 Breakfast News (9310966) 8.15 Bitten by the Bug. The way insects secrete odours to mark out territory (r) (9333817) 8.30 The Italians. A portrait of Ciccio

Longo, a Sicilian fisherman in his eighties (r) (74411) 9.00 Film: Road Show (1941, b/w) starring Adolphe Menjou and Carole Landis. Crazy cornedy about a wealthy playboy who is committed to an asylum by his scheming fiancée and escapes with another immate. Directed by Hai Roach (7794188)

10.25 Film: Men in War (1957, b/w) starring Robert Ryan and Aldo Ray. Standard Korean war drama about the conflict between a tough lieutenant and a humane sergeant. Directed by Anthony Mann

12.05 Lock. Stock and Barrow. The story of Spitalfields market in London's East End (8369508)

12.30 The Ape Man That Never Was: The Rise and Fall of the Sussex Missing Link. The Pitdown Man fraud unmasked (r) (5340430) 1.20 Postman Pat (r) (69346879) 1.35 Swim (r) (45999053) 2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (34378985) followed by Weekend Outlook (r) (34377256)

2.10 International Golf and Racing. Action from the second round of the GA European open from Sunningdale; and the 2.40, 3.10 and 3.40 races from Goodwood. Includes News (Ceefax) and weather at 3.00 and 3.50 (786411). From 4.00 the code is 8817 6.00 Stingray. The pilot episode of Gerry Anderson's puppet adventure

6.00 Stingray. The pilot episode of Gerry Angerson's pupper adventure series (r). (Ceefax) (725237)
6.25 The Man From UNCLE. Tongue-in-cheek secret agent adventures starring Robert Vaughn and David McCallum (r). (Ceefax) (788362)
7.15 Sounds of the Sboties. The first of a ten-part series featuring rock, pop and rhythm and blues from the BBC's archives (r) (s) (808099)
7.45 What the Papers Say. With The Guardian's Joanna Cole (437140)
8.00 East: The Class of 92 — a Class Divided.
© CHOICE: The academic record of Asian pupils in British schools is a pupil in the person archive. They do better than the national average.

superficially encouraging. They do better than the national average at A level, and in proportion to their numbers twice as many go to university as white children. This report does not seek to undermine this picture but suggests that it hides significant differences. Asians from East Africa tend to do better than Indians and Pakistanis. Children from middle-class homes have the edge over those in poorer areas. Social class and poverty are important factors in under-achievement and in turn determine the sort of schooling the children receive. The film points the contrast between a GP's son studying medicine at Cambridge and two Bangladeshi boys from

east London who were expelled from school and ended up on the

streets (s) (8430) 8.30 Gardeners' World presented by Geoff Hamilton (4237) 9.00 Naked Video. Cornedy sketches (r). (Ceefax) (1121)

9.30 Signs of the Times. Last in the series about good and bad taste in the British home (r) (299121) 10.20 Building Sights. Alan Bennett admires County Arcade in Leeds (r) (441459)
 10.30 Newsnight with Francine Stock (404411)

11.15 Birdland. The first of a new jazz series. Tonight's guests are Herbie Hancock, Tony Williams, Wayne Shorter and Jason Rebello (s) (114546) 11.55 Wearther (293362)



Memories of an Italian town: the wedding party (midnight)

12.00 Film: Amarcord (1974).

◆ CHOICE: The title of Federico Fellini's film is Roman dialect for " remember" and in one sense the piece is autobiographical, recalling the director's childhood in the seaside town of Rimini during the Mussolini years. Yet it is autobiography filtered and shaped by an intense chematic imagination which turns reality into the surreal and elevates life into art. There is no plot to speak of just a series of more or less random incidents enlivened by Felini's wit and invention and counterpointed by Nino Rota's evocative score. Some of the cornedy, it has to be said, is coarse and cumbersome. Although he was once a cartoonist, Fellini does not always have the light touch. But this is a densely textured piece often stunning to look at and full of moments to treasure. It won the Oscar for the best foreign film (83364386). Ends at 2.05

6.00 TV-am (5863879) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw. Celebrity game show hosted by Danny Baker

(6467898) 9.55 Thames News (7937527) 10.00 The Time ... The Place ... Mike Scott concludes his week-long discussion series on the state of marriage in the 1990s (7294362) 10.40 This Morning. Magazine series presented by Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley. Today's edition includes items on relieving tension and consumer matters. With national and international news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55 followed by national

weather (9937169)

12.10 Rainthow. Early-learning series (5071546)
12.30 Lunchtime News with Sonia Ruseler and Dermot Murnaghan.
(Oracle) Weather (2049275) 1.05 Thames News (69361 (188)) 1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama series. (Oracle) (108169) 1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama series set in an Australian outback town (s) (190140)

2.15 Highway to Heaven. Jonathan the apprentice angel helps the friend of a friend clean up a corrupt town hall. Starring Michael Landon (6278614)

3.10 ITN News headlines (4731701) 3.15 Thames News headlines (4730072) 3.20 The Young Doctors. Drama set in an Australian city hospital (3843614) 3,50 Scooby Doo. Cartoon (4687275) 4.05 Astro Farm. A new puppet

series about a family farming in space (6679430) 4.15 Victor and Hugo. The incompetent French crooks return for another series of adventures (s) (6620140) 4.40 Knightmare. Hugo Myatt presents a new senes of the electronic dungeons and dragons game (8867053) 5.05 Cartoon Time (3833459) 5,15 LWT News and weather (3582091)

5.40 Early, Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (869879)

6.00 Home and Away (r). (Orade) (745091)
6.25 On the Buses. Vintage comedy set in a bus garage. Starring Reg Varney and Doris Hare (r) (921140)



Making a good impression: presenter Les Dennis (7.00pm)

7.00 Family Fortunes. Game show hosted by Les Dennis (3508)

7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (121) 8.00 You Bet! presented by Matthew Kelly. Risking forfeits this week re Sarah Kennedy, Derek Redmond, Sharron Davies and Brian Johnston (s) (4324)

9.00 Fine Things. The conclusion of the drama begun last friday about a man's battle to keep his family intact after the death of his wife.

(Oracle) (4:188)

10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Stewart and Trevor McDonald. (Oracle)
Weather (379091) 10.35 LWT News and weather (357614) 10.40 Film: Psycho II (1983) starring Anthony Perkins. Just when you think it is safe to have a shower, Norman Bates is released from a mental institution and gets employment at a diner near the Bates motel. Sequel to the Hitchcock classic of 1960 which lacks the master's touch but is often effective. Directed by Richard Franklir

12.45am Rescue 911. William Shatner introduces more true-life dramas involving the American emergency services (3711251)

1.40 American Gladietors. More tests of strength and strategy
(1804164)

2.40 CinemAttractions. The latest film news (9741473)

3.15 Raw Power. Rock music magazine (771541)
4.15 Out of Limits. Sporting achievements (74782580)
4.35 Burke's Law (b/w). Gene Barry stars as the affluent Beverly Hills cop, in this episode investigating the death of a woman who arrived in town to effect a reconciliation with her former husband

5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Neilson (22909). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Channel Four Daily (5854121)

9.50 Get Smart. Comedy espionage adventures (9039966)
10.20 Film: Suspected Person (1942, b/w) staming David Farrer and Robert Beatty. Average British B picture about two American bank robbers on the trail of a reporter who is unwittingly carrying their loot. Directed by Lawrence Huntington (2064527)

11.40 Mr Rossi Goes Camping. Cartoon (7072324)

12.00 The Prodigious Hickey. The last episode of the drama set in a boys' school in 1905 (r) (23463)

1.00 Sesame Street. Early-learning series (r) (10701)
2.00 I Love Lucy (b/w). Madcap comedy starring Lucille Ball (3362)
2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Doncaster. Brough Scott introduce live coverage of the 2.35, 3.05, 3.35 and 4.10 races (27695)

4.30 Countdown. Words and numbers game (362) 5.00 Traveller's Tales: As American as Apple Pie. Part one of comedian Jimmy Tingle's and college professor Alan Schroeder's two-part journey by Ford convertible from Canada to Mexico (r).

6.00 Blossom. Comedy series about a teenage girl in an otherwise all-male Los Angeles household (s) (527)

6.30 Happy Days. American cornedy set in 1950s Milwaukee (879)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext)

Weather (529091) 7.50 First Reaction. Nine-year-old tsabella Rusbridger reviews the politically correct versions of Enid Blyton's Famous Five books (705053)

le. Merseyside soap. (teletext) (s) (5558) 8.30 Animal Rites. Documentary following two couples who have experienced the loss of their pets (r) (2633)

irden Club with Linda Gummery, Rebecca Pow, Roy Lancaster

and Matthew Biggs. (Teletext) (6817)

9.30 Cheers. Cliff backs down from a fight and is forced to save face (r).
(Teletext) (73922)

10.00 Nurses. Comedy/drama set in a Miami hospital. (Teletext) (s)



The camp site: Julian Clary becomes a flat dweller (10.30pm)

10.30 Terry and Julian.

CHOICE: The Julian Clary show resurfaces, thinly disguised as a sitcom about two young men (Clary and Lee Simpson) sharing a flat in south London. "Sugar?", asks Simpson, pouring out the tea. "Just call me Julian", retorts Clary. There is much more in similar wein, and worse, as Simpson plays straight man (in more senses than one) to an unrelenting barrage of imp-wristed double emendres. Written by Clary himself, John Henderson and the ubiquitous Paul Merton, the show is almed squarely at connoisseurs of camp humour in general and Clary's brand of it in particular, Judging by the excited shrieks the studio audience loved every moment but for the audience at large half an hour of CHOICE: The Julian Clary show resurfaces, thinly disguised as a every moment but for the audience at large half an hour of unrelieved smut may be more than enough (s) (80072)

11.00 Paul Merton — the Series. Highlights of the cornedy sketch series

(r) (s) (1362) 11.30 Film: Dead Men Don't Wear Plaid (1981, b/w) starring Steve

Martin. Hilarious private detective spoof that uses clips from 1940s films to bring our hero face to face with the likes of Humphrey Bogart and Alan Ladd. Directed by Carl Reiner (241527) 1.05 The Twillight Zone: The Shelter (b/w). Another tale of the supernatural (4813265). Ends at 1.35

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10.15 Blackmail (1939, b/w): Edward G Roberson empreomed for a crime he didn't commit (627459)
12.15pm: Flame of the Barbery Coast (1945): Phin Wayne plays a cowboy who ials for a night-club queen (965121)
2.15 I Costid Go On Singing (1963): Judy Garland travels to Britain (985985)
4.15 Treasure Island (1972): Long John Silver and the hidden breasure (871343)
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Russian photographs in Bradford; listens to poetry from members of Apples and Snakes; and reviews Tom Waits's latest record Bane

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6.30 Going Places with Janet Trewin from the Famborough International Air Stow

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7.05 The Archers (s)
7.20 Pick of the Week with Chris

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RADIO 2

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Charles Nove with Night Ride 4.00 Bill Rennells

News and Sport on the hour. 6.00am World Service; Newshour 6.30 Danny Baker's Morring Edition 9.30 I'm Leaving Home 10.30 Johnnse Walker with the AM Alternative 12.30pm Room 101 with Nack Hancock 1.00 News Update 1.10 BRBS Worldwide 2.30 Sportsbeat with Ross King 4.30 Five Aside 6.30 You'll Never Believe til with Yommy Boyd 7.15 Crummy Mummy and Me (final part) 7.30 Popcall 8.30 Euromax 9.30 Ruby & 10.18 Rave and 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10am News, Sport

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1.00 News 1.09 News About Britam 1.15 Farming After Communism 1.45 Sports Roundup
2.00 Newshour 3.00 News 3.05 Outlook live 3.30 Off The Shelf. The Life And Times of

6.00 and Nick Bailey with music, breakfast news, weather and traffic 9.00 Henry Kelly with Bach, Breinins and benter 73.00 Sciennish Smore with music and conversioon 2,00pm Lunchtime Concerto (records) 3,00 Petroc Trelawney 6,00 Margaret Howard with news, music and arts stories: her guess, Paul Robertson of the Medic Smrrg Quariet 7,00 Classic Verdict with Robert Cowen and Keith Shadwick 8,00 Classic RM Concert (records) 10,00 Adrian Love 1,00am Robert Booth RADIO 3

6.55am Weather 7.00 On Air: Andrew Lyle presents news, weather and travel with music by Arvo Part, Britten, Mendelssohn and Boyce. At 8.40 Berlioz (Love scene, Roméo et Juliette)

9.00 Composers of the Week,
Tchaikovsky. Peter Franklin
Introduces music from the

Introduces music from the latter part of the composer's life: The Nutoracker, excerpts (Philharmona under Michael Tilsoo Thomas); Symphony No 6 in 8 minor, Pathetique (88C SO under Andrew Davis)

10.00 Morraing Sequence; Vivaldi (Concerto in D for four violations et strings 89X56C Tafalmssik (Concerno in to for four vicinisand strings, RV549: Tafelmusik under Jeanne, Lamon, violin); Bach (French Suite No. 5 in G, BWVB16: Robert Woolkey, harpsichord); Charpentier (Magnificat pour le Port Royal: Greta de Reyghere, Isabelle Poulenard and Jeli Feldman,

rouenard and Jes Fetdman, sopranos, Capella Ricercar); Beethoven (Romance No 1 in G, Op 40: Berlin PO under Daniel Barenboim with Itzhak Perlman, violin); Poulenc (Gloria: City of Birmingham 50 and chorus under Louis Frémaux with Norma Burmwes sporano) Burrowes, soprano) 11.15 BBC Philharmonic Pascal Tortelier with Timothy

Hugh, cello, performs Paul Torteller (Fanfare for Lancaster); Mendelssohn (Overture, The Hebrides, Fingal's Cave) 1,00pm Norms 1.05 Bath, International Festival: The Raphael Ensemble performs Dvořák (String Quintet in E flat, Op 97); Bridge (Sextet)
2.10 Youth Orchestras of the

● CHOICE: If this Radio 3

series has achieved no other objective during its long run, it has made nonsense of the argument that huge Bowances must be made for the age and comparative inexperience of young musicians when comparing the sound they make with that of adult, professional players. Obviously, some youthful ensembles are better than

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;FM-97.6-99.8.
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nd Service: MW 648kHz/463m, Classic FM: FM-100-102.

others, but the Swiss Youth
50 under Andreas Delfs
whose programme today
consists of Weili's
Dregroschenmusik, Britten's
Variations on a theme of Frank
Bridge, and Shostalovich's
Symphony No 5, have been
written about by critics with a
degree of respect that has
sometimes bordered on awe
4.00 Turning Up: Chris de Souza
leams about the vihuela, the
chitarraone and the lute.
Music by Valderrabono, John
Johnson, Francesco Corbetta
(f) 5.00 in Tune: David Owen Norris o In Turne: David Owen Norts with music, news and a look at the weekend? Proms 1992: five from Albert Hall, London. The BBC Singers, the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus under Andrew Davis with Sarah Reese, soprano, Laverne Williams, mezn-soprano. Anthony Bolfs

mezzo-soprano, Anthony Rolfe Johnson, tenor and William White, bass, perform Bach (Concerto in D minor, BWV 1052: Tatyana Nikolaeva, piano, makes her prom debut with this work; Tippett (A Child of Our Time). In the interval at 7.55 Michael Olive looks at the endearing appea of Tippett's oratorio, written the second world war, and inspired by prewar German repression of the lews

9.35 Young Americans: Timothy O'Grady ends his literary journey across America and meets the young novelist Walter Kim in Montana, home of pioneers and cowboys 10.00 Anne Queffelec, piano, performs Mozart (Fantasia in C minor, K475); Beethoven (sonata in E flat, Op 31 No 3); Ravel (Serénade grotesque, Prélude in A minor, A la

manière de Borodin; A la manière de Chabrier; Menuet sur le nom d'Haydn; Menuet antique: Valses nobles et 11.30 News

11.35-12.35am Composers of the -12-33am Composers or dre-Week: Darius Milhaud: Suite Française, La Cheminée du Roi René, Le Printemps, Symphony No 8 in D, Rhodanienné (r)

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RADIO 4

5.95am Shipping Forecast
6.00 News Briefing and 6.03
Weather 6.10 Farming Today
6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
Today and 6.30, 7.00, 7.30,
8.00, 8.30 News, 6.45
Business News, 6.55, 7.55
Weather 7.25, 8.25 Sports
News 7.45 Thought for the
Day 8.43 Growing Up with
Grandma by Hamish Whiteley
8.58 Weather 9.00 News
9.05 Desart Island Diocs Bob
Geldof talks to Sue Lawley
about his life and work and
chooses eight records to take

chooses eight records to take to his island exile (s) (r) Feedback with Chris Dunkley 10.00-10.30 News, Dear Diary (FM only) with Simon Brett (s)
10.00 Dally Service (LW only)
10.15 The Pilgrim's Progress (LW only) by John Burnyan (10 of 25)

10.30 Woman's Hour, debates whether children are inhibited or helped by lessons on perspective, portraiture and brush strokes, Incl 11.00

News 11.30 The Natural History

12.00 You and Yours with Roisin McAuley

12.25pm The Gardening Quiz:
Stefan Buczacki asks the quistions (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One with Nick

Programme: Jessica Holm joins a group of bat enthusiasts

1.40 The Archers (s) (r) 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Classic Serial: Miss
Marjoribanks. The final part of
Margaret Oliphant's novel (s) 3.00 News; Special Assignment 3.30 A Good Need: Edward Blishen

invites Posy Simmonds and Kit Wright to talk about four paperbacks (s)
4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope: visits Life After
Chernobyl, an exhibition of

Voices by Penelope Fitzgerald Read by Penelope Wilton 11.00 Week Ending (s) 11.25 The Financial Week with

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Serie (s) and ... Looks at the erio . . Looks at the relationship between dance and music and composer and choreographer. Natalie Wheen and dance critic Debra Craine discuss the role of music in the part of the second control of creating dance with Sir Kennetin MacMillan, Brian Elas and Shobana Jeyasnigh (5) (r) 9.45 Letter from America by Alistair Cooke 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight with Brian Letter (s)

Heather Payton (s)
11.45 Great Political Speeches:
Charles Wheeler looks back at J.F. Kennedy's inaugural speech in 1961 (r) 12.00-12.43am News 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43 As World Service (LW



the bylaw maker. Such an allega-tion might be one which the

criminal court could determine,

Irrespective of any statutory pro-

vision to that effect, but subject to

any statutory provision to the

contrary, it was probably the

position that, as once the bylaw

had been produced in evidence it

was prima facie valid, there was an

evidential burden on the defen-

dant to show that on the balance of

probability there had been mala fides on the part of the bylaw

It could not be for the defendant

to prove the matter beyond reason-able doubt, nor could it be suf-

ficient for him merely to challeng

the validity of the bylaw. The

nature of the allegations which

had to be made confirmed that

With regard to the bylaws in question his Lordship held that the

orest Moor Bylaws did not state

with sufficient certainty the area covered by the Bylaws and were thus defective on their face.

The Alconbury Bylaws referred

to the area covered as being marked by a perimeter fence. That

had since been moved. In those circumstances it was quite wrong

o prosecute someone for offences which involved proceeding beyond

Solicitors: Robert Milsom, Cam-

the boundary when that bou

Mr Justice Pill agreed.

was no longer correctly marked.

bridge, CPS: Treasury Solicitor.

with evidence.

Investigating validity of bylaws

of Public Prosecutions DPP v Percy and Another Refore Lord Justice Woolf and Mr

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Lindgment July 31 A criminal court trying a defen-dant for an alleged breach of a bylaw had no jurisdiction to investigate whether the bylaw was invalid because of the procedures by which it came to be made. Such matters were for determination by the civil courts. A criminal court could only determine whether a bylaw was invalid on its face.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in deciding two appeals by way of case stated. In the first, the court allowed appeals by John Bugg and Rachel Diana Greaves from the dismissal by Peterborough Crown Court of their appeals against conviction for entering a protected area without ion contrary to the RAF Alconbury Bylaws 1985.

In the second, the court dismissed an appeal by the DPP against the dismissal by Mr J. N. Barry. Ripon Stipendiary Magistrate, of similar charges contrary to HMS Forest Moor and Memurith Hill Station Below Inid Menwith Hill Station Bylaws laid against Mr Bugg and Linda Elizabeth Percy.

Mr Bugg in person; Mr Martin Wynne Jones for Ms Greaves: Mr Simon Readhead for the DPP; Mr Mark Bishop and Mr Robin Tam for the Ministry of Defence,

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LORD JUSTICE WOOLF said that there were two different situations in which a defendant who was charged with breaching a bylaw might seek to challenge the

Practice Direction: Impolven-

cy appeals from district judges (No 3 of 1992)

Appeals from the decisions of

district judges exercising insol-

vency jurisdiction over companies

or individuals could in future be

Practice Direction: Form of

notices of motion and judges'

court summonses no longer needed to specify by name the particular judge before whom the hearing would take place. Sir Donald Nicholls, Vice-Chancellor,

stated in a practice direction given in the Chancery Division on July

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

summonses (No 2 of 1992)

Sir Donald Nicholls, Vice-Chan-

heard in six additional centres.

invalid because either it was outwith the power pursuant to Which it was made or it was patently unreasonable. That was substantive invalidity.

The second was where there had been non-compliance with a pro-cedural requirement with regard to the making of that bylaw, for example a failure to consult. That was procedural invalidity.

As a matter of principle, it was not for a criminal court to investigate matters of procedural invalidity. The reason was that the criminal

courts were not equipped properly to carry out the investigation and did not have the jurisdiction to do so. The party interested in upholding the bylaws and who was responsible for carrying out the procedures which would be under attack would not be a party to the proceedings. It was wholly unsatisfactory to review procedural matters of that nature without the body responsible for making the bylaw being a party.

In addition, the evidence before one court could well differ from the evidence before another court on different prosecutions. That could result in differing outcomes which could not be resolved on appeal. since in the case of a procedural irregularity the evidence was all important.

with regard to substantive irregu-larity because there was no need for evidence to establish such rvalidity.

In the case of procedural invalid-

prejudiced was and should be a material consideration. Individual

treated in respect of the public-law duties of public bodies in the same way whether or not their private rights had been infringed. They had no private right which

entitled them to complain of procedural defects in delegated legistation_ The proper approach was to regard bylaws and other subordinate legislation as valid until set aside. A member of the public was required to comply with bylaws

procedural defect unless and until the law was held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction If, before that happened he contravened the bylaw, he committed an offence and could be

even if he believed they had a

Where the law was substantively invalid the position was different. No citizen was required to comply with a law which was bad on its hips. If the citizen was settlefied that that was the situation he was entitled to ignore the law. Having drawn the distinction

between substantive and pro-cedural invalidity the question of burden of proof resolved itself. validity no evidential burden of proof issue could arise on an attack upon the validity of the bylaw. The prosecution had to produce the viaw in evidence and when that bylaw in evidence and together had been done, the bylaw together had been done, the bylaw together had been done, the bylaw together with the enabling legislation would provide a defendant with all

So far as procedural invalidity was concerned the court at a criminal trial was not required to make a determination and so there, again, was no problem.

Court: see section 375(2) of the

Insolvency Act 1986 and rule 7.47(2) of the Insolvency Rules (SI

At present those appeals were heard in London, save that with

heard in Manchester or Leeds by

consent they might be

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Fulham Football Club Ltd within a grey area, particularly where it was suggested that there and Others v Cabra Estates had been an abuse of power because of mala fides on the part of

Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice

Steva [Judgment July 31]

There was no rule of public policy whereby a football club could ignore the undertakings given by its directors not to give evidence at a local council enquiry concerning a compulsory purchase order and no rule of public policy rendered such an agreement illegal or unenforceable. The Court of Appeal so held in a

reserved judgment when allowing the appeal of Cabra Estates pic against the order made by Mr Justice Chadwick (The Times July 1) in accordance with his decision given on June 19, 1992, granting shareholders and directors. James William Hill, William Arthur Muddyman, Ruxley Holdings Ltd. Thomas Wilson and Cecil tion that they were entitled to give evidence to a public enquiry concerning a compulsory purchase order, contrary to certain under-takings they had given in an agreement under seal.

Mr Anthony Scrivener, QC and Mr Timothy Dutton for Cabra Estates: Mr Ian Hunter, QC and Mr Joseph Smouha for Fulham Football Club and others.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL, giv-ing the judgment of the court, said that the case concerned the future use and development of the footuse and development of the root-ball ground and surrounding land known as Craven Cottage in Pulham, the home of Fulham Football Club.

On February 10, 1989 the freehold owners of the site, Vicenza Developments Ltd who were a subsidiary of Cabra Estates Lad made an application to the local planning authority, Hammer-smith and Fulham London Borough Council, for planning ion to develop the site for sidential purposes.

On February 24, 1989 the council made planning applica-tions for an alternative development of the site and on May 3, the council issued complusory purchase order for the

In due course the secretary of state ordered a public enquiry which was due to commence on January 30, 1990. On January 28, 1990 Vicenza and Cabra made an agreement in writing with Fulham Football Club, its shareholders and directors as to the possible future development of the site and on that same date the shareholders and directors entered into a letter of undertaking with Cabra Estates in which they covenanted, inter alia.

evidence in support of the council's compulsory purchase order at the enquiry and not to object to the unning application made by

At the conclusion of the enquiry. the inspector in due course reported to the secretary of state who, on November 2, 1990, announced his agreement with the inspector and decided not to confirm the compulsory purchase order nor to grant the associated planning permissions sought by the council.

Vicenza then made fresh aplications for planning permission and submitted them to the council but the applications were refused and Vicenza appealed. A further local public enquiry was ordered, which began on June 2. By that time, however, Fulham

Football Club and its shareholders and directors had had a change of heart and stated that they could not give their support to Vicenza's application. Cabra's solicitors stated that the undertakings entered into included a provision requiring support. By a writ dated June 8, 1992 Fulham Football Club and its

directors sought a declaration that its shareholders and directors would be entitled to give or 10 procure evidence to the enquiry which they considered to be in the Mr. Justice Chadwick concluded that to enforce the obligation in the

letter of undertaking would be contrary to public policy but rejected Cabra's arguments based on the fiduciary duties of the covenantors as directors of the football club. Accordingly, he granted the declaration sought. It was common ground between the parties that proceedings before

a planning inspector were proceed ings to which section 2 of the Witnesses (Public Inquiries) Protection Act 1892 applied and it was conceded by the lootball club that section 2 would not invalidate any restriction on such activities as planning authority or organising public meetings to challenge a lanning application.

No covenant or undertaking could lawfully require a covenantor to give false evidence nor could a covenant or undertaking prevent a witness from attending to give vidence in response to a

On the other hand, there could be no valid objection on the ground of public policy to a covenant whereby a party to a commercial transaction which involved the disposition of land undertook to support, and to refrain from opposing, planning applications by the other party for the development of the land.

The 1892 Act had the effect of extending the law of contempt of court so as to include some conduct

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amounted to a breach of parliamentary privilege. At the same time the law of contempt was applied to enquiries as defined by section 1 of the 1892 Act. which included enquiries pursuant to

Enquiry agreement not illegal

any statutory authority" The principle which underlay both the law of contempt of court and the rules governing the immunity of witnesses from suit, however, was that, as a matter of public policy, the court would prevent and, if necessary, punish, conduct which interfered with the proper administration of justice.

In any individual case therefore the question was: had the act impugned interfered with, or would it interfere with, the due administration of justice? It was not sufficient merely to pose the question: was the effect of the agreement that a party or a witness might be prevented from putting ward a particular contention in court or before a tribunal?

It was necessary to take a broad view of the public interest and, where necessary, seek to achieve a balance between countervailing public policy considerations. Thus in the present case there was the public interest in allowing business to be transacted freely and in holding commercial men to their hareains.

There were many circumstances where parties could properly and legally reach agreements as to the future course of legal proceedings. The court would consider the facts of each case. But where, as in the present case, a commercial agree-ment which related to land had been entered into between parties agreed in return for substantial payments to support the other party's applications for planning n, there was no rule o public policy which rendered such an agreement illegal or

That did not of course mean that a witness could be prevented by agreement from giving evidence on subpoena, because that would involve an interference with the course of justice. But on the facts of

policy which would enable them to gnore the paragraphs of the letter of undertaking and to volunteer to oppose Vicenza's application.

It was trite law that directors were under a duty to act bona fide in the interests of their company. However, it did not follow that directors could never make a contract by which they bound themselves to the future exercise of

their powers in a particular manner, even though the contract taken as a whole was manifestly for the benefit of the company. The true rule was stated by the High Court of Australia in Thorby v Goldberg ((1964) 112 CLR 597) If, when a contract is negotiated on behalf of a company, the directors bona fide think it in the interests of the company as a whole entered into and carried into effect they may bind themselves by the

contract to do whatever is necessary to effectuate it " In the present case, the under takings given by the directors were part of the contractual arrangewhich conferred substantial benefits on the club. It could not be said in those circumstances that the directors improperly fettered the future exercise of their discretion,

The court were referred to two English cases at first instance (1990) BCLC 895) and John Crowther Group v Carpets Inter-national (1990) BCLC 1001) where in each the court held that an undertaking by directors to use their best endeavours to ensure that their shareholders should approve a particular deal by the mpany was unenforceable.

In neither case was Thorby Goldberg cited. It might be that those decisions could be justified on their own facts but they should not be read as laying down a general proposition that directors could never bind themselves as to the future exercise of their fiduciary

so read then they would be wrong. Solicitors: Lovell White Durrant;

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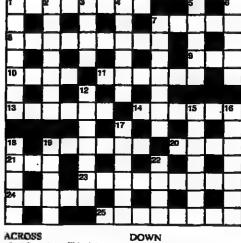
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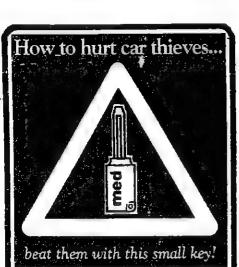
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The results of a £100 million-plus budget: the Ghia estate version and the saloon car of the latest Ford Escort. Alterations include a distinctive new grille and important safety improvements

So why another Escort revamp?

ord's £1 billion ugly duckling may have finally turned into a shapely, if costly, swan. On October I, the company unveils a new version of the bestselling car, boasting that the changes are not just skin-deep but include substantial revisions, from the distinctive new bonnet grille to ten major safety improvements.

The question for thousands of drivers who bought their Escorts during the two years since the car was relaunched is, why is it so

Ian McAllister, Ford of Britain's chairman, says the changes are part of the company's strategy of "continuous product development". Cynics will say that Ford got the Escort badly wrong first time around.

The Escort was a critical flop when it crept back onto the showroom floors in 1990. The car had been Britain's bestseller for eight years because it was better than the opposition. This was a hard act to follow but there was no need to worry. Ford had 2,500 engineers on the job of creating the Escort for the 1990s and reputedly had £1 billion to spend. The result of all the effort was a blockbuster that was greeted about as warmly as an Arsenal supporter walking onto the terraces at Tottenham's White Hart Lane.

The car had been put through the most intensive customer "clinics" of almost any model produced in recent years. By the time public opinion had been added to the input of Ford's cumbersome management structure, the car had been designed by committee. The 1990 look was almost unchanged from the 1980s version, and there Ford is right to relaunch its little bestseller, Kevin Eason says.

And this time, the design will work

bonnet. A hidebound Ford had been too scared to change a winning formula.

That the Escort is still the nation's bestselling car in 1992 says a lot for the power of Ford's marketing people - but at what cost was this triumph achieved? Price-cutting your way to top slot is not a commendation for any car, as Ford was well aware, particularly after chalking up record losses of £587 million last year.

The Escorts and Orion saloons that arrive in showrooms next month will have cost at least £100 million to redesign, not to mention the retooling of the Halewood factory on Merseyside where the car is built.

But Ford had to make changes to bring some credibility back to its most important small car — and the changes are all worthwhile.

The simple addition of a new bonnet grille and sleeker line dissipates some of the blandness that cursed the 1990 Escort, and gives the new car some identity. Minor changes to lamp formations improve the appearance and there is 11 per cent more glass in the Escort tailgate to improve

Ford has at last got a line-up of engines to match the power packs

of most of its competitors. Although Rover, Vauxhall, the Japanese makers and others have had 16valve engines in small cars for some time, Ford has just filtered in its new Zeta range of engines.

Buyers can choose from five Zeta 16-valvers, together with older 1.3 HCS or 1.4 CVH engines (now with catalytic converters). There is also a 1.8-litre diesel. That family of engines gives all-round improvements in performance and fuel economy (about 31 mpg in town in the 1.6-litre).

Under the skin, there are ten unseen changes to the body structure, which will be welcomed by Escort and Orion drivers who have the misfortune to be involved

Tougher side rails, cross members behind the dashboard panel. roof pillars and the addition of side ing the Escort/Orion safer. The cars have successfully survived crash impact tests at 30mph, as required by legislation, and at 35mph, when the car has to absorb 35 per cent more energy. There is also a new steering wheel with an energy-absorbing rim to cushion the driver's head in the worst impacts.

There may be some ruffled feathers among motorists who bought their Escorts in August. little realising that their model would be changed so radically within a few weeks.

Ford, however, had no alternative. The company faces an uphill struggle for survival over the next few years in the face of the huge competition from Japanese car makers, who are now based in the UK, and from the fast-improving cars coming from manufacturers



No doubts: Ian McAllister

of in-car fumes Drivers breathe

Beware

their own pollution

THE noxious chemicals and pollution spitting from a car's exhaust may be doing more damage to the driver and passengers inside than has previously been supposed. Investigations on behalf of

Greenpeace by Earth Resources Research, an environmental research group based in London, indicate that concentrations of nitrogen dioxide (a gas that has been linked with asthmatic attacks and respiratory diseases) and carbon monoxide (which has been linked with ischaemic heart disease) can sometimes exceed World Health Organiation and EC recommended safety levels inside motor vehicles.

The report suggests that cyclists and pedestrians may be less at risk from motor car pollution than the people who produce it.

In studies in Europe and the United States, researchers have analysed pollutant levels in different driving conditions and at different times of the year. They also found that interior pollution tends to be worse when airconditioning systems and heaters are switched on.

Inside the car, the levels of carbon monoxide can be from two to 14 times higher than air 50 to 100 yards away from the vehicle, and nitrogen dioxide levels can be from 1.3 to 2.5 times higher.

The report also claims that levels of benzene — a pollutant that penetrates cars from the exhaust, the engine and the petrol rank can be between two and 18 times as high inside as outside the vehicle. According to the WHO, "no safe level for airborne benzene can be recommended, as benzene is carcinogenic to humans and there is no known safety threshold".

The highest levels of carbon

monoxide and benzene build up inside cars in dense, slow-moving traffic and in stable air conditions. The pollution levels may be aggravated by the age of the car and the condition of the exhaust. Charlie Kronick, Greenpeace's

transport campaigner, says: "There is no safe haven from traffic pollution."

Mr Kronick, who points out that by 2025 traffic is expected to have increased by 142 per cent, adds: "Winding up the window won't help. Drivers cannot simply shut themselves away from the effects of the pollution they create. The only real solution is to cut the number of cars on our roads,"

The woman who showed how to do it



In charge: Deborah Saybolt

THE THUD was the sound of dropping jaws as the engineer in charge of Britain's biggest selling car was announced, Kevin Eason writes. The engineer was Deborah Saybolt, female, attractive and young — attributes that provoke enormous suspicion among many in the deeply masculine world of motoring. Women are not supposed to enjoy the intimate

workings of cars, let alone be in charge of one of the most important car design programmes in the country. It has taken an American to break the Mrs Saybolt approached her job as programme

manager for the Escort/Orion redesign from a background in General Motors, Chrysler and Ford. erica's three big car companies.

engineer," she says. "I was always interested in how things worked and my family often used to say that I would need to know how things like the plumbing worked." From that early encouragement, Mrs Saybolt

gained a degree in mechnical engineering before going on to the University of Michigan for masters degrees in engineering and business administration. She was soon on the fast track, starting as a trainee with GM before moving on to be a product development engineer with Chrysler and a senior manufacturing engineer at GM. Six years ago she was appointed a manager, responsible for tooling and equipping six US assembly plants.

The next step was to Britain, where Mrs Saybolt found that managers and workers were less "Somehow, you are supposed to be ugly or masculine in some way to be involved in engineering," she says. But once you have proved you know what you are doing, men relax and things work out well."

Ian McAllister, Ford's chairman, clearly has no doubts about the capabilities of Mrs Saybolt, having handed her the plum job of signing off the two-year programme to redesign the company's bestselling range of cars. Even though she may be younger than many

senior managers already bound up in Ford's complex corporate structure (she pleads the Fifth Amendment when asked her age), the task of taking the Escort to market did not daunt her. She says: "I think we have substantially improved the "It never occurred to me that I could not be an prepared to encounter a woman in charge. car so that it is now the best in its sector."

As expensive cars flop in the auction rooms and on the second-hand market, Bentley brings out another model, this one costing almost £100,000

Dream machines stall

hey are the dream cars nobody can sell. The fastest and most exotic sports models are being sent for auction, too expensive for their owners to keep but now becoming impossible to sell.

Evidence is growing that finance houses that have repossessed highvalue cars want to sell to recoup their loans, while some hard-up collectors are also being forced to sell. Some owners are being pushed by their banks to get rid of their most valuable asset next to their houses to pay off debts and overdrafts. Only last week, Lord Beaver-

brook faced up to bankruptcy. His passion for classic Ferraris was said to have played a part in his problems. This, however, is the worst time to sell. Spiralling insurance premiums and womes over the cost of maintaining a highpowered but gas-guzzling model have scared away all but the true enthusiasts, and the buyers with an eye for a bargain.

Auction houses say that cars that have had their second-hand values reduced by 20 per cent and more over the past year are still failing to sell. Cars that eventually find buyers are fetching as much as £10,000 below their already devalued second-hand price.

An H-registered Jaguar NJ-S Le Mans V12, previously one of the of the high-performance, super-

Difficult to sell: Porsche 928, the ultimate yuppie symbol



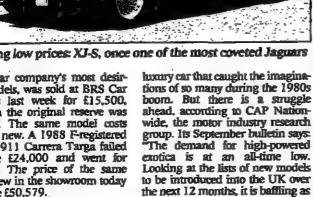
Retching low prices: XJ-S, once one of the most coveted Jaguars

hixury car company's most desirable models, was sold at BRS Car Auctions last week for £15,500, although the original reserve was £25,000. The same model costs £41,800 new. A 1988 F-registered Porsche 911 Carrera Targa failed to make £24,000 and went for £19,500. The price of the same model new in the showroom today would be £50.579.

A 1990 Porsche 944 Turbo, which retailed new at about £36,000 earlier this year and was expected to fetch at least £20,000, could attract only £16,000.

Tom Atkins, the general manager of BRS Car Auctions, says: They could almost be the cars that nobody wants. They are certainly the hardest cars to sell at the moment. A lot of cars are coming in specifically because they are repossessions or the owner needs to get rid of the car for financial reasons. That means they accept the price they can get and many of those prices are not good at all."

The slump may not spell the end



expensive toys."
The model-by-model CAP bulletin reads like an obituary list for some of the world's most famous cars. CAP says that the Alfa SZ coupé is available, but few dealers are willing to stock it. The Asson Martin Virage is "very difficult to retail". There are "quite a few" Ferrari 308 and 328 models available, mainly from finance companies and collectors, and Testarossa values continue to fall. When considering the XI-S, CAP warns dealers to "value carefully".

to who is going to buy these

because prices are still sliding. The Japanese are also finding second-hand buyers difficult to locate. Nissan's 200SX and 300SX sports cars are losing value and out

other model the symbol of wealth and success during the 1980s, the Carrera 4 is "struggling to find retail buyers", the Turbo is "hard work" and the 928 "very difficult to

Sales of new Porsches are down significantly - to 786 so far this year, compared with 1,320 last year. The dip is so bad that John Edwards, Porsche's marketing manager, says dealers are selling six used cars for every new one.

of favour, CAP says. Among Porsches, more than any

> for its launch. Rolls-Royce says that the modern

> > K.E. | the Turbo R. The differences, how-

The new economy saloon

Perhaps a £91,000 Bentley is not the obvious item to put at the top of anyone's shopping list in the present economic climate. The recession has sent some of this country's rich into bankruptcy while even the very rich are now reluctant to open their brimming purses.

The result has been a rapid decline in sales of the most luxurious cars in the world, such as those gorgeous saloons that come from Rolls-Royce's works at Crewe, Cheshire. Rolls-Royce and Bentley sales in Britain topped 1,000 in 1990 but that figure dropped to 513 last year and shows little sign of reviving significantly.

In the circumstances, Rolls-

Royce might have been forgiven for postponing the launch of its Bent-ley Brooklands model.

In defiant mood and showing some true British grit, the motor manufacturer refuses to see the Brooklands, which it describes as a Bentley for first-time buyers, as a hostage to fortune.

Indeed, the Brooklands is the second new Bentley to be unveiled in 18 months, following the spectactular Continental R coupe. Just as the Continental R was

launched on the back of the company's historic links with Le Mans, so memories of Brooklands, the legendary Surrey racing circuit. are evoked for the new car. Bentley enjoyed many racing victories at Brooklands as well as setting records such as the 1932 fastest lap of 138mph by "Tim" Birkin in a 4.5-litre Bentley Blower.

Walter Owen Bentley took part in his first race at Brooklands in 1909, so it was appropriate that the new car should be seen for the first time on the circuit's sloping banks

Brooklands model is not only stuffed with the latest technology, but a sound investment. To the uninitiated, the Brooklands looks outwardly similar to



Brooklands revisited: the new Bentley, named after the circuit, and one of its racing predecessors

wheels, integral fog lamps and a seamless bonnet without a central ridge, which makes the front seem even larger from behind the steer-Inside is the usual splendid and

luxurious finish, plus new hide trimming on the doors. And the gear shift is moved to a central console. The computer-controlled suspension keeps the car level, and there is full anti-lock breaking to eliminate skid.

Enormous power from the 6.75litre V8 engine is handled by an automatic four-speed gear box that delivers the power in one long surge. On the road, the car's handling belies its size (more than 17ft long, almost 7ft wide and weighing two tonnes) and performance is, as Bentley says, more than adequate. No performance figures are given but the top speed, as the company

stricted Continenal roads. The car's presence is phenome-

nal. Few if any vehicles can match the Bentley's ability to give the driver the impression that every road is private, or the feeling that one is driving through the grounds of one's own estate. The roadholding, however, takes time to become accustomed to, because one simply does not expect such a big car to attack corners so well. Inside, the Connolly leather and

the Wilton carpet create a cocoon of comfort, while the burr walnut and polished chrome all gleam. It is a delightful cocoon, but one that may seem outdated given the harsh economic concerns of the time. Not so, according to Michael Donovan, Rolls-Royce's commercial director. The pace is being forced by the

growing number of Japanese mak-

THE FEW FIGURES AVAILABLE

Price: £91,448; engine 6.75-litre V8 (brake horse power output not disclosed) with electronically controlled four-speed automatic gear box performance (estimated): top speed 135mph, 0-60 in about 11 seconds; fuel consumption not yet available.

so coyly puts it, is "in excess of 130mph", where possible on unrewith cars such as the 600SEL, with its £88,000 price-tag.

Mr Donovan says: "We are seeking a wider target audience of highly successful individuals who may not have been in the market for a car of this value but who are looking for a firmer sportier performance, along with the luxurious features synonymous with the Bent-ley marque. This is a great opportunity for Bentley. There is always a call for exclusivity, whatever the economic conditions."

Believe it or not, that kind of desirability lasts, whether the economy is unkind or not, so Bentley is probably right about the appeal of its expensive products.

A German executive told me recently why he bought the most expensive cars on the market. "Why eat hamburgers when you can have steak or wear a Timex if you can afford a Rolex?" he said.

That justification is especially apt when applied to the craftsmanship from the Crewe works. Spending £90.000 on a Bentley is baffling only to those of us who don't have

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Bring us our special marching corsets

Soap, shoes and corsets were all enlisted in the suffragette struggle. Rosie Millard previews an exhibition that shows how

skilfully the campaign was run

suffragettes being tied to the railings, but what they were really brilliant at was marketing a campaign." According to Diane Atkinson at the Museum of London, the suffragette movement was the first political campaign with a real corporate identity. "The Purple, White and Green", an exhibition which opens at the museum on Tuesday, aims to do justice for the first time to their

Forget contemporary politicians with their red roses, blue torches and yellow birds; the suffragettes got there almost a century before the likes of Peter Mandelson and his fellow image makers. Publicity material from the struggle dating from 1900 includes a rather formidable Mirs Pankhurst, resolute on a button badge; a silver belt clasp showing a woman looming over the houses of parliament, and a slab of buttermilk soap from Cocks of London with the catchy slogan, "vote for women", etched into its

"They invented a slogan, a colour scheme and an entire look: and they were so successful that all the big high street names were willing to join in with them," Ms Atkinson, curator of the exhibition, says.

The majority of suffragettes did not come from the working masses: the most prominent members were well-to-do, well educated, dovennes of society with a lot of spending power. How sensible therefore, for Jueger to start selling corsets "espe-cially for comfort in marching", or for Liberty to offer to make up any garment in the suffragette colour scheme of purple, white and green. (Purple for dignity, white for purity, green for fertility.)

ette slippers. Swan and Edgar, suffragette jewellery: even Allinson's bread developed the pithy slogan: "Vote for women and

Allinson's bread!" There was suffragette entertainment. Pank-A-Squith was a board game in which players endeavoured to avoid the police and find a way out of prison. While this was not quite staple family entertainment, the game illustrates how the campaign refused to exist on the margins of polite society; on the contrary, its organisers were the

very model of good manners.
"They were like pop stars, you know," Ms Atkinson says. "When Mrs Pankhurst was released from one of her stints in Holloway prison, Selfridges flew a purple, white and green flag from the shop. When she came to speak at a rally, thousands came to hear her. Women fainted and had to be curried off."

In the exhibition is a suffragettes Hall of Fame, showing sepia prints of the stars of the movement. complete with their beautifully rolled hair, high-collared shirts and hats. In an age where a woman driving a cur was seen as an oddity, mothers left their needlepoint and dragged their daughters along to



Last suffragette: Victoria Lidiard today, left, and aged 23, when she broke a window at the War Office. Above, suffragettes set about a policeman to prevent him from making an arrest

blouses, "nice" women from the genteel classes were inspired to fall behind leaders and encouraged to sell the newspaper Vote for Women. They had to stand in the road." says Ms Atkinson, "otherwise they

would be arrested for obstruction." A Mrs Simmons and her three eldest daughters, who lived in Clifton, Bristol, were among those who marched off to hear such a rally. One of the daughters, Victoria, now Victoria Lidiard, is nearing 103; the only surviving member of the movement, she now

hear the suffragettes speak. In their resides in appropriate indepen-

"Christobel Pankhurst and Annie Kenny, two of the main suffragettes, came to talk at the Victoria rooms in Clifton, and of course we all had to join up." Mrs Lidiard says. In those days, women weren't important. The education of my three brothers was very important, but not that of the girls. Or so my father thought; my

mother thought very differently. The suffragettes enlisted the help of Frederick Pethick Lawrence, former editor of a London newspaper; with his assistance they managed to circulate national information about their goings on.
"We were news then." says Mrs Lidiard, who at the age of 23 went up to London in 1912 on a specially chartered train to take part in the Window Smashing Campaign, a night whose achievements make some of today's political demonstrations look rather tame in

ccording to Mrs Lidlard, "We went from Marble Arch to Tottenham Court Road smashing windows on one side of Oxford Street. That was on the Saturday. On the Monday, it was decided that suf-fragettes who didn't want to hunger strike should do something else. So I walked from Piccadilly Circus to Whitehall and smashed a window in the War Office."

Mrs Lidiard beams, resplendent in diamante wing-tip glasses. 'I took a stone out of my pocket

policeman nearby couldn't believe I had done it, because I looked so innocent. He rushed up and gripped me by the arm. I was conducted to Bow Street by three policemen on foot and one on horseback."

The police discovered a further eight stones on Mrs Lidiard, "in case the first one wasn't sufficient". She was tried and sentenced to two months hard labour in Holloway prison. "I was put in solitary confinement, in a cell with one tiny window and a straw mattress. On

the first night I lay down but I felt lifted up; spiritually helped. I slept

Mrs Lidiard was imprisoned at the same time as the Titanic went down; a photograph of her taken then shows an elegant, perfectly turned out Edwardian lady. Yet she refused to wash in Holloway ("because I was a political prisoner"), refused to repent, and was given a certificate from the Women's Social and Political Union (the suffragettes' militant wing) "in recognition of imprisonment endured for the cause of women's enfranchisement".

"It just seemed the right thing to do," she says. "To fight for a vote. The year we got the vote (1918) Parliament had to debate a vast number of womens issues. They wouldn't have noticed us other-

With their newspapers, their colour schemes, their banners, badges, hats, uniforms, and the ability to marshall thousands at a the suffragettes were noticed. Ms Atkinson hopes the exhibition will remind all contemporary campaigners how it was done. "I don't feel we have done them justice. No one has organised a campaign so well since; I wish every campaign would take a leaf out of their book. Even contemporary feminism should look more at what they did and how they did it."

● The Purple, White and Green: Suffragettes in London 1906-1914, is at the Museum of London, London Wall, from next Tuesday to June 13, 1993.

Arlott set for a record stand

Rarities collected by cricket's most famous voice come under the hammer today

ohn Arlott was the outstanding sports commentator of his generation. Knowledgable, erudite and felicitous in his use of language, he shaped the art of cricket commentary after the war. He was a man of catholic tastes, as evidenced by the books, memora-bilia and cricketana that Christie's, South Kensington, is auctioning today and in a fortnight.

The collection, being sold by his widow, comprises more than 400 original set of Wisden Cricketers' Almanack, signed first editions by William Golding, Dylan Thomas and T.H. White, more than 200 books detailing the history of magic and witchcraft, and even the door plate from Arlott's office at The Guardian (estimate £10-£50, with his NUJ card thrown in).

Christie's is no stranger to his property. A decade before Arlott's death last December it auctioned

much of the contents of his cellar, which was no less eclectic than his other property. One of the finest private collections of wine in Eng-land, it realised £29,315. The auction house is now salivating over what it regards as the most important modern first editions to come on to the market in recent years. The sale is likely

to raise more than

£100,000, because of the affection in which Arlott was held for his commentaries, journalism, books

By his own admission, Arlott squirrelled away books, pictures, aquatints, Staffordshire figures, porcelain plates, even cigarette cards. Driven by the poverty of his youth, he made and spent money with alacrity. An original manuscript of an article in The Guardian by Sir Neville Cardus (estimate £150-£250) describes him as "a full man with a mind well-stocked, acquainted with the finest literature, a mind flavoured with a connoisseur taste for pleasures of the senses, good wine, good food, good talk in good company ... English and Hampshire par excellence."

The most valuable items in the sale are likely to be Arlott's Wisdens, dating from 1864 and individually signed. Alas, such is the worth of the earliest volumes that the collection could well be broken fetching, in all, a record

Even some of Arlott's non-cricket books (for years he was the sole book reviewer for Wisden and thus was sent everything published on cricket) have a tinge of the game. A first edition of Golding's Lord of the Flies has an estimate of £700-£1,000 partly because of the in-scription "For John Arlott from William Golding with thanks for Fiery Fred". This refers to Arlott's

biography of Fred Trueman, the Yorkshire and England fast bowler, and the work he felt to be the best of the many he wrote.

There are 19 lots of E.M. Forster's work, including numerous signed first editions, and letters to Arlott. In one, he wrote of "being turned out" of his family house "by family friends". Forster added: "1 hope you will enjoy Italy, although there can't be many bats and balls there ... " (estimate £3,000-£5,000).

Dylan Thomas was a close friend to whom Ariott gave work when he was a poetry producer at the BBC. The ten lots of poems and first editions are expected to raise £3,000. There would have been more had Arlott not destroyed requests for work and other missives that would not have enhanced Thomas's reputation.

Yet it was for his love of cricket and cricketers that Arlott was best known. On September 25, in the second part of the

sale, letters will be auctioned from Basil D'Oliveira the "coloured cricketer, whom Arlott helped bring from South Africa to England. where he eventually played for Worcestershire and his adopted country. "I do ap-

preciate the fact that it will be quite an uphill battle to do well over there (England)." all-rounder wrote before his departure from Cape

Town. In another letter, describing his return home after being successful in England, D'Oliveira wrote: The Boers were aghast that a darkie could get such an ovation . . . this, and the opening created now for our coloured cricketers, is due to your efforts, for which I and all South African non-white cricketers will always be grateful." The corres-

pondence with D'Oliveira is expect-

ed to realise £300-£500. Among the items of cricketana there are 12 continental porcelain coloured bisque cricketing figures including Trueman, W.G. Grace and Ian Botham, estimated to fetch £600-£800. They stood, as if still contesting Test matches of bygone years, on the mantelpiece of Arlott's sitting room on Alderney, in the Channel Islands, to which he retired. It was, though, a nominal retirement in that he continued working until his death at the age of 78. That Ariott's Wisdens and some other items are individually signed will only enhance their value. "There is a strong tide of sentiment running his way." says Rupert Neelands, head of books

and ephemera at Christie's. "Because they were his possessions, the prices will be heightened. and that goes for the first editions as well as the cricket items. Buyers could go crazy."

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The idyllic Spanish home of British exiles could be brightened up with Dirty Den, Frank Bough and a failed detective looking for fugitives

Idorado is a flop. Instead of trumpeting the antics of the characters, the papers are reporting urban breakdown within the production team. The BBC has flown out a psychologist to treat the actors' depression, an acting coach to couch their acting, a sound technician and, finally, a new producer.

There are red faces at the BBC, which is committed to the programme to the tune of £10 million and is now in danger of enraging the feepaying public by continuing to make excuses. The autumn season will be decisive. The BBC must admit its mistake

and think again. The first task is to get rid of the entire cast. We will waste no time in merely sending one or two characters to work on cruise ships - they must all go on a group outing, a coach trip to the Pyrenees.

As they accompany Trish in a rousing chorus of "The Wild Rover", the coach will veer off the side of a mountain and bear them all. in slow motion, into the abyss. The timely massacre will give the BBC the opportunity to introduce the new characters it promised to bring in all along.

First on the scene will be Antonia de Sancha, who has set up an animal sanctuary just outside Eldorado. The sanctuary replaces Marcus Tandy's riding stable as a key location. One of Antonia's first campaigns is to bring back Blackie the donkey to Spain, where he truly belongs.

Antonia is somewhat withdrawn and aloof from the general run of Eldorado society and hints darkly at her connections with international animal rights organisations. She is the object of fascination to the men, while the female characters regard her with extreme suspicion and no little









Fresh line-up? Barbara Windsor as a crook's innocent ex-wife, mayor Manuel, Angie on the bottle, Billy on the run

antagonism. When Antonia has a problem with her car - a much loved antique Mini called Betty with a strong personality, which appears in the closing credits - she takes it to the car body repair shop run by Billy Corkhill.

Billy and Sheila left Brookside Close in a hurry -Billy is on the run from the law for reasons that will be revealed at a later stage. Sheila, after a brief spell on the stage, has resumed her career in

sustained anxiety. Billy fraternises with a collection of Costa del Crime exiles, half a dozen felons on the run. The chief of these is called Ronnie, and his ex-wife, who has never been aware of his wrongdoings, is played by

Lurking in the shadows is a British policeman with a burning ambition to bring these Costa criminals to justice. This character may be played by one of the many soap stars who have so distinguished themselves in one role that

they have never worked again. Consumed by rage as these felons enjoy their safe haven. the policeman waits for the incriminating evidence he

The series needs a strong central female character, a pillar for the others to lean on. who listens to their problems and will never fail to crack under pressure. The bar, focus of the community, is up for sale. Angie Watts is seeking refuge after a turbulent romance with a rock star, which

may still be going on. He has given her the money to buy the bar, where she is constantly threatened by the demon

One of the regulars in Angie's bar is Denis Tanner, who left Coronation Street in his twenties and went to London, where he rented a room in a boarding house owned by Ena Sharples's illegitimate daughter Flo - it was this mishap in her youth that drove Ena to religion. Denis has married Flo's daughter. He prospered in the 1980s and is now running an import-export business. His daughter, whom he has called Conchita out of respect for the Spaniards, is a potential love

Although the working title

land, the producers have so far underestimated the xenophobia of the British public. There should be a hefty cast of Spaniards but with nothing foreign about them: they display English attitudes and

speak perfect English. The mayor of Eldorado is Manuel who left Fawlty Towers to pursue a career in politics. He has a passionate interest in animals, and his continual attempts to persuade the tax-paying popula-tion of Eldorado to support Antonia's sanctuary is a source of some local conflict.

Angie enhances the continental flavour of the bar by employing the Spanish guitar olayer Albuerto, a would-be Romeo with a gold medallion

and a devout wife. He came third in the 1967 Eurovision Song Contest with "El-dorado", a hymn to his native town, sung to the tune of "Desperado" by The Eagles. which is the theme tune of the

series.
Once the characters are established, there will be opportunities for high drama of reek proportions. A vehicle for tragedy is the mild-mannered devoted simpleton, a local lad who helps Angie behind the bar. Sergio, who likes to be called George, is a slave to Denis Tanner's daughter, Conchita, and, like his English counterpart. Lofty, from EastEnders, his devotion lends poignancy to her disas-

To make it accessible, Eldorado needs a stronger relationship between the exiled community and the home country. The shadowy past of the Costa del Crime characters occasionally catches up with them, and figures from other people's past are constantly intruding either on holiday or on the run. Dirty Den might show up, and any character from Auf Wiedersehen Pet, a Euro MP or a war criminal. Celebrities make occasional appearances.

The local football team tries to buy Gary Lineker, Jim Davidson is invited to entertain at a celebration with the criminal contingent. Frank Bough flies out to make a holiday timeshare video.

The absentees, some with unsavoury histories, are bound together in this foreign and yet strangely familiar place by a common theme: escape.

This is the expensive solution. The cheaper solution is to put the entire cast of Eldorado on a coach and set them up in Bridlington.

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Too much too young

downing hers, 16ear-old Georgina Meinertzhagen was incapable of speech. Helped home to her flat in Oxford she collapsed on the floor, unable to reach her hed. Later, when she woke in the small hours and leaned out of the window for some fresh air, she fell 26 feet into the street, smashing her head on a discarded wash basin.

At the inquest into her death week, Daniel Meinertzhagen, her father, condemned the "cheap promotion" that was the occasion for the binge that led to Ms Meinertzhagen's death.

Promotions, common in bars popular with students and the young, involve offering a brand of drink at a special price, backed up with free T-shirts and baseball caps. The aim is to get people into pubs and encourage new drinkers to acquire different tastes. On the day of Ms Meinertzhagen's final party last February, it was the Mexi-can spirit tequila on offer at 50 pence a shot — half the normal price - that drew her crowd nto a wine bar for a birthday

Often the special prices are only available in the early evening, during a happy hour. They provide an incentive to have two or three drinks quickly, where normally a drinker would have only one. But the tendency then is to carry on drinking. The offers get people into pubs earlier and persuade them to keep drinking longer.

Young people are targeted ecause they have a long

Cut price alcohol is a danger to the inexperienced, says Jeremy Laurance

concentrations instantly.

Once absorbed, alcohol is

distributed throughout the

body. But its concentration depends on the blood volume.

Drink for drink, smaller

people with a lower blood

volume will have a higher

blood alcohol level and so

become more intoxicated than

Young people have to learn

units for women), a higher proportion than any other age This is mostly social rather than binge drinking. Young people are the most socially active segment of the community and much social life,

especially in colleges and universities. revolves around pubs, clubs and bars. Nonetheless, the proportion of young drinkers consuming more than the safe limit was the same in 1990 as in 1986. Even Alcohol Concern, the pressure group, admits that, although there are no grounds for complacency, there is "little justification for a moral panic

"Young people drink a lot.
To say it is terrible is hypocritical," says Alex Paton, reader in alcohol problems at Warneford Hospital, Oxford and editor of the ABC of Alcohol, published by the British Medical Journal. "What I don't like is the way institutions manipulate them into drinking as much as they can until they kill themselves. A vodka company ran a com-petition in which the prize was as much free vodka as you could drink in a term. I thought that was disgraceful."

about young people's deteriorating standards".

The best advice for fledgeling drinkers is to learn how alcohol affects the body so that drinking can be con-trolled accordingly. The main dangers, for the young, are less the physical effects of alcohol on the liver and other organs

er learns to metabolise it. Drinking stimulates the production of enzymes in the liver ten 18-to-24 year-olds drink the risks of driving while more than the "safe" limits (21 drunk or getting into trouble units a week for men and 14 which speed its metabolism. The liver is the most vulnerable organ because it has the Dr Paton, most will moderate heavy task of removing alcohol their drinking by their midfrom the blood. Even when twenties, under pressure from trained, it can do this only the responsibilities of work slowly, at a rate of about 15mg and family. "I think the risks an hour (slightly less than half are vasily over-played." he a pint of beer or just under a "But if you continue glass of wine), which is why, heavy drinking after your midafter a heavy night, drinkers twenties then you are asking may wake up next morning

still under the influence. But it appears the liver can process only 80g of alcohol in a man and 40g in a woman in oung people have experimented with new any 24-hour period. This is modes of administration. Snorting Perroughly equivalent to four pints of beer, just over a bottle and better high than cocaine of wine or a third of a bonde of - and injecting vodka direct spirits for a man - and half as into a vein are said to be much for a woman. popular among some drug-taking groups. Such methods produce high blood alcohol

The rise in women's drinking (especially among the young), is the most worrying trend, because they are more vulnerable to the ill-effects of alcohol. Women in Britain are already very nearly as likely as men to die of cirrhosis of the liver, despite drinking only a third as much. Among men it takes five to ten years of heavy drinking to produce perma nent liver damage, but among women it may take only two or



Oiling the social wheels: but special promotions aimed at encouraging young people to drink are causing concern

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The better the holiday, the worse the return to work can seem ven if you've managed to get through the sum-mer holidays without holiday families tend to be thrown together more closely

catching some nasty bug abroad or feeling depressed because you couldn't afford to no defences." leave Britain, the biggest danger season is now, when you are supposed to be safely back at work with the old order re-

Bringing back

the blues

Does everything seem sud-Sometimes, says Mr Jenkins denly depressing? Are you Stuck with a chronic cold, in a job you never realised was such a dead-end, feeling disillusioned and disorientated and wondering where the golden promise of summer has gone? Experts in stress and psychosomatic illnesses would say that you are proba-

bly suffering from post-holiday blues syndrome.

The time right after a

holiday can be very depressing and sobening - which is Many why there are twin peaks of depression workers after Christmas and after the sumfear mer holidays." says David Zigmond, a London specialist being in psychosomatic complaints. The emphasis during sacked reality." both these times is on people having to

while on holiday

be happy and make

contact," says

Hugh Jenkins, director of the Institute of Family Therapy. entry period," Dr Lewis ad-Those pressures can result in all sorts of problems. If you look at the number of men who die within six to eight months of retiring, you will understand that holidays are part of the same process. The on them. moment you stop, you actually become much more vulnerable - both physiologically and

psychologically." There is no special syndrome, but people may come down with cold sores, sore throats, backache — whatever they are prone to," Dr Zigmond says.

Many people fear the loss of a job when they're "out of be away." sight, out of mind", and with some justification, says David Lewis, a research psychologist who founded "Stress Watch". "We did a survey for American Express which showed that 25 per cent of people were afraid of being made redundant after

"Simply coming back from a very warm climate with lots of sunshine to a dull, cool dimate can make you depressed." Dr Lewis says. "But there are other factors too. When you're on holiday you often do your health no good with too much drink and sunshine, jetlag, late nights and maybe more exercise than you're accustomed to. Many people are coming back from exotic holidays with all sorts of nasty things from legion-

naire's disease to malaria. "Another reason is that on

than they normally are. Suddenly you're actually forced to talk to each other. There are That, be suggests, is why

"the period after the summer holidays ranks second only to the period after Christmas as the busiest for the divorce

who has had to pick up the pieces of many a holiday gone awry - "it's only when people stop that they have time to see what's really going on and what they actually have to face, and they come back despairing."

Dr Zigmond says: "When people have a holiday which is very different from their dayto-day lives, they

are more likely to become depressed whereas if their holiday is pretty near home and they continue some a slight variation. fronted with such a hurch back to

So what can we do to minimise the likelihood of postholiday blues?
"Consider your re-

vises. "Give yourself a day or two to adjust at home before you have to plunge back into work. Employers should realise that employees need a day or two to adjust and not immediately dump everything

"If you suddenly feel you loathe your work and can't stop daydreaming about your next holiday, use that as a springboard to action: go to an evening class, study a language. Don't just try to escape from the real world. You can't link your whole life to that fortright when you're going to

Dr Zigmond thinks employers should look at the level of post-holiday absenteeism and sickness within their organisations. "If it is significantly high it means something should be done about the company, to find out why returning to it is

so depressing." he says.
"Begin to listen to your
own body rhythms." Mr Jenkins suggests. "You should be able to take your own psychological temperature as well as your physiological one, and to work out a holiday pattern that suits you. I've been a manager in the health service and I know that people's sickness patterns are an indication of how things are going in their work and personal lives, and all employers should be aware

VICTORIA MCKEE

New concept brought to a life's work

The accepted wisdom that every father worth his moistened sponge should be there in the delivery room, bravely holding his wife's hand and counting her through contractions, is now in question and by those who once fought most fiercely for the rights of men to be present at their child's

We have fallen into the trap of polarisation. When the pendulum swings we react by insisting that everybody should follow the new fashion," says Lesley Page, one of the most radical midwives in Britain and now six months into her new position as Professor of Midwifery at Queen Charlotte's College. London. What she teaches today will influence not only the next generation of midwives but ultimately the way mothers give

birth in this country.
"Each family needs individual attention — and for some families it's wrong for the father to be present at delivery. A midwife needs to develop sophisticated counselling skills that will enable her instinctively to pick up parents'

"If she asks the father 'does it feel alright for you to be with your wife? Then it gives him permission to not be there. If a mother has a traumatic delivery it can be very difficult for a man to watch."

Professor Page learnt the importance of listening to individual parents through her own extraordinarily graphic experience. She helped thousands of mothers bring their babies into the world while coming to terms with the fact that she could have no children of her own — and then, miraculously, at the age of 45 she discovered she

was pregnant.
"I now specifically teach midwives to avoid giving advice to mothers unless they have very good reason to do so." she says. "I used to tell women to rest during pregnancy. But I didn't rest at all and it was perfectly all right. Every now and then I would think I'll sit with my feet up but I'm not that sort of person. Pregnancy is something which should be enjoyed. It's not an illness, and unless there are medical indications otherwise, midwives should encourage mothers - and - to find their own

At the time of her conception two midwifery for John Raddiffe maternity services in Oxford and fighting the medical establishment to set up Britain's first midwife

Not until the age of was Lesley Page, a professor of midwifery able to talk about childbirth from personal

experience. Anne Woodham reports

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remember thinking: I must be only 2cm dilated and I'm going to ask for an epidural and I'll never live it

Events moved too quickly for

that Anxious about her age and status, her obstetrician threatened a

caesarean delivery if labour went.

beyond three hours, but the arrival of David Edwin Page Starr, in the presence of his father, bear the

the insights gained. "I feel I've

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David, who's come

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And, as if she

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ised how truly

supportive - mid-

wives can be. "They

were all young women and yet

their skills and their

sensitivity were ab-

ful." This is midwifery as it should

be practised, an equal partnership

between mother and midwife. The

word itself, Professor Page points

out, comes from Old English,

meaning "one who is with the

Six months ago (in March) she

took up her professorship, a new

chair created by Thames Valley

University (formerly the Polytech-

nic of West London). Her avowed

agenda is to educate and promote

midwives as professionals, inde-

pendent of but in liaison with

doctors, aiming to help women

recent health committee report on

maternity services, which calls for

human wisdom, rare in a govern-

ment document, and for the (often

painful) debate it has engendered

She describes the government's

life-enhancing start to family

remain in control of their care.

team practice in Kidlington. Her two adopted children were 18 and 16, and she and Beat husband, technical adviser Mark Starr, were anticipating life on their

Her first reaction was dishelief. " would have thought my chances of conceiving after suffering endometriosis for so long were practically nil." Morning sickness was so severe that she was hospitalised. "I told this baby, 'don't leave us. we really want you," she recalls. "By 16 weeks I felt absolutely blooming and continued working until three weeks before the birth.

women who finally "As I get older become pregnant after adopting children is legion and still without explanation. "Fertilis such a complex phenome-non," Professor Page says. "I had midwifery will resolved my feelings about desperately wanting a baby, and far from being relaxed at the time of conception. I was in the most

stressful period of work, horribly busy and absolutely The only change to her routine,

she says, was a daily half teaspoon of Feverfew for migraine headaches. "I remember reading that it might have an effect on prostaglandin synthesis and wondering if I could get pregnant, and six months later I did. I still keep thinking I must ask the fertility experts about

Meanwhile the John Raddiffe Hospital prepared for this special baby. Lesley Page handpicked her team of midwives and birth expert Sheila Kitzinger — whose grand-son Sam she had delivered donated a waterbirth pool. But the plumbers were still installing it when she went into labour.

pregnancy and labour had never prepared her for the intensity of the experience. The heartburn, the heaviness of carrying the baby, and vast majority of mothers, it reveals, are dissarished with hospital regimentation. They want greater choice in how and where their babies are born, and the continuing support of a midwife whom they know and trust.

Over the last three decades, she says, midwives have allowed themselves to become subservient to the pain of the contractions were far worse than I'd imagined." she says. "The pain was all-consuming. I doctors. One response has been a female charryinism that decried medical science and evalued the practical skills of midwifery. "But we need academic rigour in our training and an understanding of the biological sciences - as well as psychology; sociology and anthro-

pology, she insists.

She was instrumental in setting up the flour-year direct entry honours degree in midwifery at Oxford Polytechnic, and has ambitions for a PinD course at Queen Charlotte's College. Research projects under discussion, with psychologists at Thames Valley University include the member of pain in childbirth. Why do some women, like Professor Page, Striget the sensation immediately, recalling it only on an intellectual level, while others find it unforgettably traumatic?

For such a gemiy spoken and approachable woman, she is re-markably tough. "Earlier this year I did an oundoors leadership course on which all the others were men. At the beginning they saw me as a very maternal figure, and at the end they knew why I'd been successful in my career.

You go into nursing because you're a caring person," she adds, and then see that you can't do as much as you ought to be able to do. push for it, but I don't always anticipate the political backlash. When you introduce team midwifeyou're changing power relationshins."

It is the unquantifiable, so called 'alternative" elements - kindness, touch, massage, reassurance — that are basic to midwifery. "We're with people in a more intimate way than any surgeon." Professor Page says. "and we have a down-to-earth understanding of a woman and her life. All midwives talk about holistic care - the integration of mind and body that is particularly important

"As I get older I see how important strong midwifery will be to society. If a woman is to be an effective parent she must have confidence in herself, she must feel in control of the birth of her own



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Tumours on the brain

JULIA SOMERVILLE'S fans are rightly impressed that she continued reading the news even after the knew that she had an intracranial tumour, which had been pressing on the optic nerve. Although preoperative investigations may have suggested that it was benign, only the pathologist looking at the famour after it had been removed could actually confirm

The usual numbers to press on the optic nerve is a pituitary adenoma although the next common benga intracranial tu-inour is the megingiona, a growth atising on the covering of the brain. Mesingionas account for nearly 20 per cent of all intracranial turnous, they usually strike between the ages of 40 and 60 and women are affected more often than men. Although the tumour is widely regarded as being benign, the occasions meningioma is found by the pathologists to be malignant, and even benign meningiomas can be difficult to remove in their entirety. Intracranial tumours are usually detect-

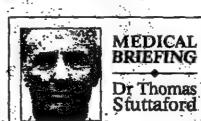
ed because the patient either suddenly

IN THE 1950s research at the

West Middlesex Hospital showed that if elderly patients

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develops epilepsy, has obvious small changes in the nervous system, or suffers from raised intracranial pressure.

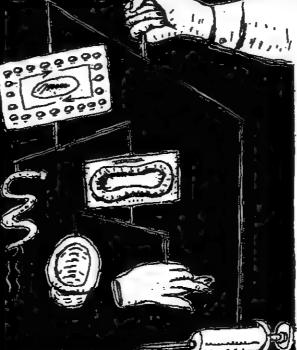
The changes in the nervous system may vary from slight trouble with vision, a localised muscular weakness; to an obvious change in character. Personality changes are a particularly common presentation in meningiomas, which often press on the frontal lobes. Change is the all-important signal that shows some-thing is amiss, if a choleric colonel shouts, nobody is concerned, but if a saintly priest becomes irritable and starts swearing like

a trooper, it is time to see the doctor. Although meningiomas often present

with character change, most cerebral tumours are first noticed because of a rise in intracranial pressure. As the growth increases inside, there is inadequate room within the skull for both brain and tumour, when the brain becomes overcrowded, symptoms of vomiting, head-

aches, lethargy and drowsiness follow.
Patients can be reassured: headaches are very common, nearly everybody has one from time to time, and intracranial tumours comparatively rare; in a city the size of Norwich, for instance, with a population of approximately 200,000, doctors should expect to find about ten cerebral tumours a year.

Characteristically, but not inevitably, the headache caused by a cerebral turnour is regularly present when the patient wakes, or may even wake the patient, and as it grows the pain lasts longer each day. The pain is made worse by stooping. sneezing, blowing the nose or coughing. Close questioning will enable doctors to reassure the overwhelming majority of patients, but if there is any doubt, modern scanning can settle the question.



No need to remember to keep taking the pill contraceptive. Noristerat, are

BREWERS, it is widely be-lieved, keep up the price of low alcohol beer lest it lose its cachet by being considered irredeemably down-market. Depot-Provera, the long-acting injectable contraceptive, suffered just this fate. It became thought of as the ideal contraceptive for the feckless and the forgetful; and it was indeed suitable for those whose memory or lifestyle made it difficult to take a daily pill. But by the same criterion. it should be equally useful to the jet-setting merchant bank-er or barrister on circuit, and as appropriate in Sloane Street as in the local squat. Even women who remain at home find it hard to remember the pill: ten per cent of pill takers forget to take it at least

Depot-Provera, and the equally effective new injectable

In a safer vein

small closs which are broken was routinely used. At the

off from a large thrombus Royal Hallamshire Hospital particulary orthopaedic, were routinely given anti-coagulation of from a large thrombus (clot) in the leg vein, has still in Sheffield, for instance, it with given only once a day, lands, they were much less likely to die of what was loosely classified as "post-operative pneumonia". Forty years later the lesson that these so-called cases of pneumonia are often due to pulmonary emboli.

progestogen-only contracep-tives. The injections are slight-ly more effective than the pill as a contraceptive, and considerably more effective than the 1UD, diaphragm or condom. It can be prescribed for those who are older or who smoke, as it doesn't encourage blooddotting. The injections reduce. the incidence of cancer of the ovary and body of the uterus, and the scare about causing lumps in beagles' breasts has now been shown to be totally irrelevant to the human breast. The injectable contraceptive may cause irregular bleeding, usually spotting but occasionally heavier bleeding; in the first few months and later, periods may cease. But within two years of the last injection, 95 per cent of those who have wanted to become pregnant have done so.

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Facts of life in black and white

Clive Davis previews a touring exhibition celebrating the black American experience and meets Gordon Parks, the veteran novelist, film-maker and magazine photographer

of America's cultural élite, the photographer and author Gordon Parks once, as a very young man, earned a living as a planist in a brothel. After touring with a jazz band during the Great Depression, he eventually found work as a steward on the railways, and became interested in photography after leafing through a magazine left

Parks, who bought his first camera from a pawnbroker, went on to join Life magazine, and was responsible for some of the finest photojournalism of the Civil Rights era. With his 80th birthday a few weeks away he has provided the introduction to a new collection of work by black American photographers, Songs of My People. Sub-titled "African-Americans — A Self-Portrait", the pictures form a panorama of contemporary life, from the statutory views of grizzled farm workers in the Deep South to snapshots of striving young wannabe" executives.

The work of around 50 photographers (including several Pulitzer Prize winners) from the summer of 1990 is featured in a book (published by Little Brown) and an exhibition - co-sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution — touring more than 30 American and European cities. The show opens in London today and moves on to the Impressions Gallery, York from November 7.

The project's organisers - Eric Easter, Michael Cheers and Dudley Brooks — allowed the contributors a fair degree of freedom: the aim was to create a "jazz composition" which would give the artists room to follow their own instincts. So, just as in a musician's solo, there are occasions when inspiration takes flight and

others when - as in the section devoted to entertainers - the photographers fall back on well-worn newspaper techniques.

One or two shots would probably not get past the picture desk of a local paper: the group portrait of a "multi-arts" theatre ensemble which performs "contemporary pieces about Afrocentric traditions and lifestyles" is every bit as dull as its caption. Nevertheless the failures of imagination are easily outweighed by the genuinely memorable

In any case — like the celebrated collection "12 Million Black

The show fulfils a social function rather than giving a frisson to gallery aesthetes'

Voices", published half a century ago — "Songs of My People" was clearly created to fulfil a social function rather than supply a frisson to gallery aesthetes. Though they present their share of depressing vistas of urban and rural poverty, the contributors are eager to underline the achievements of the black middle class. As Parks puts it in his introduction: "The heart, not the eye, seems to have determined the contents of their photographs. What their eyes saw was one thing: what their hearts perceive was yet

Born into an impoverished farming family in Kansas — he was the youngest of 15 children — Parks lives in Manhattan in an elegantly furnished apartment in the exclusive United Nations Plaza complex. He is a countly, old-world figure whose extravagant white moustache would not look out of place on a Spitfire squadron-leader.

He spent two decades at Life. where his best work combined political commitment with visual flair. Among his assignments were studies of the Black Muslim organisation and slum children of Brazil, as well as memorable portraits of Muhammad Ali.

And there was his phase, starting in the late Sixties, as a film director. His first feature was The Learning Tree, based on his autobiographical novel. Then came Shaft, the thriller which, with the help of Isaac Hayes's atmospheric music, set off a wave of big-budget films with black actors in leading roles.

Parks has a tendency to become personally involved with his photographic subjects. After taking pictures of an impoverished Harlem family, for example, he eventually bought them a new home in Queens. Events, he says, took an unhappy turn: the mother recently died of cancer and two of the daughters have succumbed to Aids. There is, however, hope for the youngest son, now in his early twenties, who has ambitions to compose music. Parks has bought him a recording machine. Meanwhile, Parks has been busy

on a photographic project inspired by the paintings of Turner. He has also completed a 600-page novel about the artist. Negotiations are under way to bring an exhibition of Parks's pictures to the Photographers Gallery in London next year. Songs of My People is at the Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800) from today until October 25. Open daily, admission free.



"Songs of My People": C.W. Griffin's study of Ezall Quinn Jnz, in New Orleans

GALLERIES

 INVENTION THROUGH REASON THE HOPES OF MAN-KIND, THE DREAMS OF YOUTH: It is possible that the lengthy title of this show, derived from FIAR's international painting competition. reflects the aspirations of the company itself, which specialises in high-technology engineering systems. Catch a similar company in Britain celebrating its 50th anniversery by sponsoring a prize for (as it turns out) Minimal and Conceptual Art. Overall winner among the 60 artists under the age of 30 invited is the Scot Callum Innes, whose mysteriously minimal painting evokes organic processes of staining and eroding. Other winners are three Italians, one American, and one Briton Andrew Bick.

Accademia Italiana, 24 Ruiland Gate, SW7 1071-225 3474) Tues-Sat 10am-5.30pm (Wed to 8pm). Sun 2-5.30pm, Until September 20. Admission £3, concessions

• IN THE ROUND! DESIGNS ON POSTERITY: The contemporary medal is a much collected but critically neglected art-form. The Federation Internationale de la Médaille, founded in 1937, holds biennial exhibitions. and this year's, the first to be held in Britain, brings together more than 1,100 medals, designed by 600 artists. There is also a Salon des Refuses and a show of medals issued by the British Art Medal Society. now ten years old, and there are three unissued, previously unexhibited medals by Henry Moore for the 900th anniversary of Chichester Cathedral in 1975. "Designs on Posterity" is a show of drawings for medals, from Durer up to date, drawn mostly from the BM's own collections but with important loans.

British Museum, Great Russell Street, WC1 (071-323 8525) Mon-Sat 10am-5pm. Sun 2.30-6pm, Until October

> JOHN RUSSELL TAYLOR

THEATRE PREVIEW

Newly revealed as a radical

Stephen Daldry, who is directing AnInspector Calls,

talks to Peter Lewis about J.B. Priestley

7 hen Stephen Daldry was invited to an a play for the National Theatre before taking up his new post running the Royal Court, he astonished his hosts by choosing to do An Inspector Calls. This old warhorse — frequently performed, but nearly always by amateur companies - hardly sounded like a young director's opportunity to break with convention. Is it capable of yielding new insights? is J.B. Priestley relevant?

There is periodic talk of a Priestley revival but, apart from the National's birthday tributes in his lifetime and a production of Time and the Conways, that has not materialised. Daldry, an unexpected lan from a much younger generation (he is 31) thinks Priestley has been misjudged and undervalued. He sees him as "a radical playwright who was trying to break the mould and re-invent theatre for moral purposes". The reputation Daldry won at the Gate Theatre in Notting Hill was for unearthing unsuspected classics. An Inspector Calls. he believes, is "perhaps more of a classic than anyone realised".

To see it as part of the 1930s thriller genre, and to play it in a solid box set, is to misread the play. "Some people perceive Priestley as a realist or as a juvial purveyor of Yorkshire comedy like When We Are Married. People don't realise how radical he was. Hare and Brenton are part of the same radical tradition which he belonged to along with Auden and isherwood - although, - I unlike them, he was working in commercial theatre."

Priestley himself wrote that "only an idiot would consider the declared on another occasion: "All my plays are princi-



J.B. Priestley: he tried "to break the mould and re-invent theatre for moral purposes"

pally fantasies. There isn't one of them in which the impossible doesn't happen." All of which should prepare audiences for surprise when the curtain rises at the Lyttelton tonight. Daldry and his designer. Ian MacNeil, have taken the play clean out of the drawing room to show the impossible happening in a landscape of the imagination.

The play is set in 1912. when the Birlings of Brumley are doing very nicely, the pound is worth a pound, and the Titanic, "absolutely unsinkable", sails next week. But it was written early in 1945 and, had there been a theatre available, might have been staged in time for that year's sensational general election. It only reached London in 1946. to far less critical enthusiasm than it had earned in Moscow

and Germany. In 1945 Priestley trailed some of the clouds of glory from his war-time postscripts to the nine o'clock news. His gravelly growl, as British as plum pudding, had rumed him into an institution. In the election he himself stood as an Independent and lost. "We have located the production in 1945 because that was the pivotal point in British domestic history. A shift in

consensus took place, in which Priestley was very involved," says Daldry. "The optimism and conviction of the play is that of 1945, looking back in anger at the moral basis of Edwardian society and rejecting it. The play asked: were we really going back to that? A huge war had not been fought to put the clock back to that kind of society."

¬ he next major shift in consensus, in 1979, brought in the Thatcher years, during which much of what remained of the vision of 1945 was finally dismantled. "There is a new generation that has no inkling of that romantic vision of creating a better society. They have been told that we live for ourselves and are not responsible for each other. I wanted to do a play that challenges that." He finds parallels with 1980s philosophy in the pre-Titanic views of Birling on a man's

duty to look after himself and not everybody else — "com-munity and all that nonsense".

"Nowadays," says Daldry, "when political drama seems to lack vision for humanity, it seemed important to hear a powerful voice from 1945 saying they also had a choice between the individual and society. I think Priestley would be outraged now to see people living on the streets." Another strand in Priestley's

stage radicalism that appeals

to Daldry is his investigation of alternative reality. An Inspector Calls is not counted as one of the "Time" plays. "But at some point at that dinner party, time stops. They are allowed a glimpse of the future and some of the family see a chance to break out of the cycle of their lives. You can see it as a dream play in which the characters are taken out of their little Edwardian dolls' house into a wasteland where they are confronted by their innermost fears."

 An Inspector Calls opens to-night at the Lyttelton, National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 2252)

aving tired of the cardboard cities of cardboard cities of the dispossessed, radical television producers have latched on to the repossessed. After mockery for the vulgar habits of the jumped-up entrepreneurs of the Lawson boom. ies. Instead, Clive and Nick

emergence of a new kind of documentary: the recessional. The series Present Imperfect is a good example. Clive Busby and Nick Clark, the heroes of Broke (BBC 2, last night), were partners in a fitted-kitchen business whose offunes have declined in the point at which bankruptcy and manual jobs seem preferable to their debtor's nightmare. Both would have been

the Lamont era has seen the

patronised by the media as "Essex Men" in the years when they were doing well. The recessional has done away with the intrusive editorial voice so popular in the Eightapparently under the impres-

enterprise culture still is, the impression was not that the market had let them down but that they had been punished for their gullibility. Once the kitchen business ran into trouble, Clive and Nick started selling burgiar alarms --another risky item in a recession - and Nick ended up flogging slimmers' chocolates,

were on their own, addressing

a disembodied camera at

their downward spiral.

quarterly intervals during

Poignant though the loyalty

of their long-suffering wives

was, and resonant though

their disillusionment with the

the Tory party along with the Eighties. But that is not what happened on April 9. What added insult to injury

sion that they were a new idea.

bone to pick with a govern-

ment which has cold-

bloodedly persisted with

policies that are hurting its

own supporters more than

anybody else. Clive described

himself as an ex-Conservative,

though the more resilient

Nick, who held out against

bankruptcy for longer, was

unwilling to abandon his con-

victions. The moral which this

recessional hoped to draw was

that Britain had abandoned

for these men and their fam-

Both men had a legitimate

TELEVISION REVIEW

Gone for broke

ago, when I was 30, I told myself that by the time I was 40 I would not be crawling around in lofts," said Nick. "Here I am, still crawling around in lofts." The real damage the recession has done is not material, but psychological: "We are beaten." said Clive's unflappable wife. It is this shrinking of hori-

ilies was the sense of being

kept in their place. "Ten years

zons and blighting of ambitions, rather than not breaking faith with our European partners, which should be keeping John Major awake at night. Where, after all, did Major himself come from? The family of a small businessman who went bust. John's ambitions were not crushed by his father's failure. The Clives and Nicks of the next generation may not be so lucky.

DANIEL JOHNSON

OPERA REVIEW

Coolly commanding ritish Youth Opera is a

company that bridges the gap for young singers between college and the chance of work with the national companies. Their freshness and honesty has won appreciative audiences and distinguished support from within the profession.

The only doubts about their Carmen were the decision to perform it in French, which ranges from the good (Carmen, Micaëla, and the children's chorus) to the positively Churchillian (most of the rest) - and the use of the four preludes for meaningless vignettes of Don José silently emoting in his prison cell. Mérimée's novella may be about José, but Bizet's opera is about Carmen.

Otherwise Patrick Libby's production. in Vicki Mortimer's dever permanent set, was a model of good sense, and BYO musical director Timothy Dean showed that he knows the secret of conducting Carmen: to get on with it and let "art" look after itself - it's all there in the notes.

The major achievement of the production was the way Dean and Libby helped Helen Lothian crack the secret of playing the title role: stillness

Carmen Sadler's Wells

(no vampish hip-swinging), and humour, which is crucial to the character. Lothian was the witty, cool, calm pivot around which the drama revolved, utterly in command of her destiny right up to the denouement. Her mezzo is not large, but she sensibly refuses to force it, using chest tone sparingly and thus to double the effect. She phrases with taste and musicianship, and enunciates the text clearly and meaningfully: astonishing

maturity and insight.

She had a worthy antagonist in the Micaela of Diane Charlesworth: clear, beautifully rounded tone, and anything but a milksop, emphasising that her intervention in the smugglers' scene is an act of selfless heroism.

The Chinese tenor Ya Lin Zhang, who has been gathering laurels at the Royal College, sang José. His tone is robust, Italianate rather than French in timbre and admirably free at the top. He will grow more confident on stage as his career develops, which it surely will.



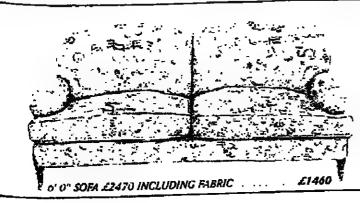
Helen Lothian as British Youth Opera's Carmen

Howard Croft did as well as any young singer could as Escarnillo (he certainly looked the part), and there were promising contributions from Peter Mulloy (Dancairo) and

Katerina Karneus (Mercedès). The chorus worked hard and effectively. An unpretentious. solidly enjoyable evening.

RODNEY MILNES

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AN INSPECTOR CALLS: WHITE TO Cranham probes the guilty secrets of a repressive family (Richard Pasco, Barbara Leigh-Hunt) in Priestley's drama. Barbara Leigh-Hunt) in Priestle Stephen Daldry's first National production (see interview, page 3). National (Lytteton) South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 2252), tonight, 7pm, tomorrow, 2,15pm and 7,30pm. SCHOOL FOR WIVES: Normal life

returns to Edinburgh after the Festival with Neil Bartlett's new version of Royal Lyceum, Grindlay Street, Edinburgh (031-229 9697), opers BBC PROMS 92: Tonight Andrew Davis conducts the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus in Sir Michael

Orchestra and Chorus in Sir Michael Tappet's moving warmer eraturio. A Child of Our Time. Sarah Reese, ladviga Rappé, Amhony Rolfe-Johnson and Willard White male up the impressive lineup of solosis. Before the interval, veteran Russian pianist. Tangana Nikolaeva is the solosis in Bach's Concerto in D minor Last Night of the Promiss. Tomorrow Dame Kin Te Kanawa does the honours in Rule, Britannal, but before the familiar varianions on a

before the familiar variations on a triumphalist theme at the end of the evening, there is plenty of real musica interest: anas by Massenet, Korngold Puccini and Catalani, Sir Peter Masset Putchi and Carlain, air Petr Maxwell
Davies's An Orkney Wedding with
Sumse, and a performance of
Shostatowich's Plano Concerto No 2,
which again brings Tatyana Nakolaesa
the Proms platform,

DEATH AND THE MAIDEN: AND Dorfman's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge. Penny Downie, Danny Webb and Hugh

Duke of York's, St Maron's Lane, WC2 1071-836 5122). Mon-Sat. 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm 120mms.

☐ FROM A JACK TO A KING: Witty

the top, set in the world of rock bands and packed with Sorties songs. Ambassadors, West Street, London WC2 (071-836 6111). Mon-Thurs,

8.15pm, Fri and Sat, 5.30pm and 8.30pm 120mins.

GRAND HOTEL: Musical barley

mats Thurs, Sat, 2.30pm. 120mins

☐ HECUBA: Trojan women struggle from grief to revenge: engrossing production of Euripides by new artistic director Laurence Boswell.

Gate, Prince Albert Pub, 11 Pembridge Road, W11 (071-229 0706), Mon-Sat,

☐ THE MADRAS HOUSE: Roger Allam heads a strong cast in Granville Barker's proto-feminist, senous 's proto-feminist, senous ly, set in a fashion house.

Lyric Hammersmith, King Street, W6 (081-741 2311) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm,

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Gerald Harper and William Gaunt play crume writers who fall out and pit their

wicked wits against each other: run-of-

tho-mil threfer, Whitehall, Whitehall, SW1 (071-867 1119), Mon-Fn, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 5.30pm, 120mms.

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WEEKEND EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

London SW7 (071-823 9998), tonight, PACE DANKE COMPANY: This dance troupe from Cape Town comprises nin dancers and five musicians who present a marriage of African rhythms and movement with contemporary dance forms — and, unusually, all the dancers are also musicians and some Their aim is to create a recognisable POOLE PROMS: The Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra under Owain Arwel Hughes opens the Poole Proms tongleft with a condert tribute to Walt Disney's film Fantasia featuring Dulkas's Sourcer's Americania Mussocration. Sorcerer's Apprentice, Mussorgsky's Night on Bare Mountain and Beethoven's "Pastoral" Symphony. Tomorrow the orchestra performs "Orchestral Lloyd Webber" under the baton of Anthony Inglis. The proms continue until September 19

Poole Arts Centre, Kingland Road.

BODDINGTON'S MANCHESTER **FESTIVAL OF AIRTS AND TELEVISIONS**

inerature festival featuring susan Sortiag, Maroslov Holub, Brenden Kennelly and Aldo Bus, Festival Offica, Central Library, Sc Peter's Square, Manchester (Informal hostine: 061-228 1166) TOSCA: John Cort's production is revived, with Ludano Reverotiff (who having the role only once before at the 1904, in 1977) as Caveradossi for the first five performances, Bisabeth, Holleque sings the title role, Jobo Dobson's Scarpia. Zuban Mebia Dobson is Scarpla. Zuban Metita conducts all but the first livee performances. For those unable to get a ticket, two of the performances (Wednesday and Sept 19) will be relayed on the screen in the Plazza. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WCC (0771-240 1066/1911), tonight, Mon, Wed, 7.30pm (further performances until Oct 10). MOSE ALLISON TRO: Mississippi mage: from the affecting blues singer and parnist whose influences range from Duke Ellington to Sonny Boy Pizza Express, London W1 (071-437 9595), tomorrow, Sun, Wed and RI, 7.45om.

Manchester Camerala performs a music-and-fireworks programme to resolutes off to a start. The feature

music-and-fireworks programme to get residues off to a start. The festival nurs until October 4 and Books 200

events taking place across 50 venues in the city with highlights including a visit by the Catalonian theatre group Els

Jogians presenting Albert Boadela's contribution towards the Columbus quincentenary celebrations, Yo Tengo un Tio en America, an extensive

programme of European music; and a

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London House full, returns only Some seats available Seats at all prices

PYGMALION: Alan Howard, Frances limiter in a Norward David production that some admire great while others feel subordinates the to a dever design. National (Ofivier), South Bank, \$81 (071-928 2252). Tonight, tomo 7.15pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 195mms.

☐ ROMBO AND JULET: Michael Maloney and Clan: Holman in David Levesur's fairly ordinary production. -Bartsican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891) Tohlight, tomorrow, 7.15pm, met tomorrow, 2pm. 195mins.

LI SHADISE Pauline Collins tom between her child, murn and manningend in Sharman Macclonald's disappointing new play, only sporadically absorbing. Albery, St Maron's Lane, WCZ (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 120mins. E SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATIONS Stockard Channing as the nch New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's fine play on human inter-dependence. Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Sat, Spm, mets Wed, ipm, Sat, 4pm. 90mins Sprin, 304, 4pm. 140mms, Wed, 2 30pm, Sat, 4pm. 140mms

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Restoration cornedy of bad behaviour the home of a bumbling savant, directed with serve by Phylida Lloyd. The Pit, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, hypothese 7 1 5 cm. and formership. tomorrow, 7.15pm, mat tomorrow, 2om, 165mins.

 A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE
Philip Provise's triumphant RSC
production, John Carlisle as a callous
anstocrat in Wilde's social melodrama laced with wit. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (871-930 8800) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2 30pm. 165mms.

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PROMS

Not such a good night, Vienna

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IN ITS 150th armiversary year the Vienna Philharmonic has not lost its knack of suddenly producing a piece of magic that lifts it clean above every other ensemble on this earth. Some breathtaking audacity of phrasing perhaps, might be executed with spotless unanimity by the entire string section — as if every bow and every brain was connected by a telepathic thread. Such a moment came on Wednesday in Mahler's First Symphony, when Claudio Abbado eased a strident and stolid interpretation of the Scherzo into a trio of melting beauty in which the strings, like birds released from a cage, were able to display properly for the first time the expressive guile that lies at the heart of the Viennese style. For such playing one would willingly queue all day Kensington — and many people had.

the end of this concert seemed a trifle extravagant. Were Promenaders really cheering the sophisticated but hardly electrifying performances, or were they dazzled by an illustrious reputation? Abbado's treatment of Haydn's Symphony No 100 seemed particularcurious. Of all symphonies, the 'Military" surely demands a certain robustness. But where, in this refined and delicately nuanced performance. was the "hellish roar of the war" that Haydn's contemporaries detected in the slow movement? And what hap-

Nevertheless, the eastasy that greeted



Claudio Abbado: his sometimes ponderous conducting at least produced a model clarity of textures

pened to the humour in the outer. movements? This performance rode gracefully over all that, like a limousine

purring down a slightly bumpy lane.
This impression, of high-powered music-making somehow disengaged from gut feeling, also pervaded the Mahler, especially its outer movements. There were also small slips: after a stunning, bushed opening by the strings, the woodwind entries were

almost comically loud and certainly not. together: the off-stage trumpet entry was nervously done; and in the funeral march the tube vecred sharp in his solo. These are petty matters, but an orchestra which called a press conference at Salzburg this summer expressly to criticise the other, "inferior" musicians at the festival (Simon Rattle's CBSO) must expect the closest scrutiny of its own playing.

Abbado's interpretation had its ponderous, over-deliberate moments, but his slow speeds and determination to get every line property articulated did at least bring a model clarity to the textures. He chose the Meistersinger overture as an encore: a bland performance which suggested that his future does not lie at Bayreuth.

RICHARD MORRISON

PROMS: OPERA

Spellbound by a Tsar

FOR once the hoary old question was decisively answered. In this performance the Tsar himself, not the eternally suffering Russian people, was the real protagonist of Mussorgsky's

Opera North's semi-staged production for the Proms (Jonathan Alver directed) inevitably relegated the crowd to the choir seats; the Boyars, in dinner iackers, seemed more like civil servants than ever. But visual detail apart, this was, supremely and gloriously, John Tomlinson's evening.

On his first appearance, this Boris darts with alacrity out of his ceremonial cloak to reveal the real man. His cloak of kingship is shed. Lear-like, once again when he meets the Simpleton (an eloquent Mark Curtis) who gives him his pendant cross.

Yet he never cringes, nor is physically weighed down by his power, his glory or his guilt. Ian Judge, the original director, retained Boris's dignity as a man, and Tomlinson, in rich and rugged voice, sang with the strength of self-knowledge. So strong was the dramatic spell he cast that there was hardly any need for the murdered child to return physically.

That, though, was how the evening had begun. Before a note sounded, a schoolboy walked on and had his throat dutifully cut. This being Mussorgsky's original 1869 version, it

EARLY in their friendship, Vita Sack-

ville-West accused Virginia Woolf of

loving with her head, not her heart.

But in their oddly close and enduring

relationship quite the reverse was true.

Vita's brain was certainly not the

feature which attracted Virginia. About

that organ, she was bitchily dismissive:

'A heart of gold, and a mind which, if

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Vita, Virginia admitted, was her magnificent pair of legs. The middle-class

intellectual Woolf seems to have admired Lord Sackville's daughter for

her aristocratic barbarity, her physical

confidence and grace, her inborn habit

of command, her ability to reduce

This show charts this passionate

friendship through letters, cleverly dovetailed by Eileen Atkins to create the effect of a continuous dialogue.

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slow, works doggedly.

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ended with Boris's death, not with the lament of the Simpleton. With Tomlinson centre stage, it seemed the only possible way.

This was also Mussorgsky's original, stark orchestration in David Lloyd-Jones's edition, faithfully recreated once again by his successor, Paul Daniel. Its austerity was answered by the colourless staging of the first scene. Then, suddenly, the sun blazed on every golden dome of the Kremlin: the ear was struck by horns, trombones and piano before the eye was dazzled by the entry of Boris in coronation cloth

Moments such as this transformed the tiny, white apron stage, and the performance of the English Northern Philharmonia and the chorus of Opera North rose to its demands. Jeffery Lawton was a restrained Shuisky; Matthew Best a more credibly old and wise Pimen. Melanie Armitstead was a properly distraught Xenia; and Brian Bannatyne-Scott and Trefor Glenn made up an appropriately large and little double act as Variaam and Missail.

HILARY FINCH

ROCK

Monochrome men

IN THEIR 1970s heyday, Black Sabbath provoked more parental ire than any other rock band. Their elephantine grunge-metal not only failed to leap the generation gap, it widened it. Given such a promising start, it is no surprise that Sabbath greatly influenced the course of heavy rock.

But nothing has been the same since their bat-chewing singer, Ozzy Os-bourne, went solo in 1978. His deranged stage persona made him an impossible act to follow; his departure is still mourned by fans. Black Sabbath continue to operate (the current line-up is founder-members Tony lommi and Geezer Butler, drummer Vinny Appice and vocalist Ronnie James Dio), but, as their Odeon show verified, they are trading on their name as much as any-

It was also obvious that they are not about to let changing times get the better of them. The curtains swished back to display ominous-looking banks of amplifiers. If the sight did not cower you, the music took care of it. The Sabbath working method involves stunning a song with a crunching guitar riff, enabling the rhythm section to deliver the coup de grace a few minutes later. Dio, a short figure from Heavy Metal Central Casting, guides the melodies through elaborate vocal

All par for the course, but the

Black Sabbath Hammersmith Odeon

uniformity of this approach obliterated the songs' distinguishing nuances. They were sacrificed for the greater good of the show, which aimed to

subdue the audience by sheer force of volume. This goal was partly realised - old hands automatically assumed the head-banging position, but the many young fans seemed bemused by the splayed legs and thrashing hair. The capital's orthopaedic surgeons must have had a bumper Wednesday as the consequences of banging middle-aged heads revealed themselves the next

Sabbath's strength is their cumulative trance-effect, so it is difficult to cite the merits of individual songs. A few stood out: a new tune. "Time Machine", was familiar from its appearance in the film Wayne's World, while the classic "War Pigs" showed how much Sabbath have changed since they recorded it 20 years ago.

Black Sabbath's spirit and virtuosity are impeccable. But isn't it time someone had a quiet word with them about ironv?

CAROLINE SULLIVAN

THEATRE

Legs, letters and love

conducted at one remove. Vita often

writes from farflung places; Virginia stays for the most part in Bloomsbury. Even when the two are together, at Long Barn in Kent, they never

connect directly and they never touch. You might not think such an epistolary exchange would make grip-ping drama, but Eileen Atkins gives a superb characterisation of Virginia. She took the role in her one-woman show A Room of One's Own, and there is not a greying hair, a sidelong, appraising stare nor a nervous, despairing hand movement which does

not belong utterly to Vita and Virginia the character. Minerva, Chichester Atkins circuits the round Minerva Stu-

dio stage like a middle-aged, trapped ocelot, elegant and shabby, wary and sensuous. Suspiciously she allows herself to be seduced (in every way probably, though physicality is only hinted at) by Penelope Wilton's forthright, somewhat jolly hockey-stick Vita. She uncovers layer after layer of intimacy, but never opens the door to an inner sanctum of secrecy.

Wilton has a much harder task in conveying the allure of Vita, which consisted of aristocratic presence and

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galleon-like force of character. And she is not helped by Vita's words, which —
whether describing Persia, New Mexico or Long Barn — produce the same
enthusiastic, unmemorable effect.

In so many ways the two women were mismatched. Sexually, Vita was commanding while Virginia was timid and amorphous. Vita looked up to Virginia as a writer with gushing, envious admiration, while Virginia strained to make polite comments about Vita's pastoral doggerel. This quiet two-hander, sensitively directed by Patrick Garland, has the power to move it shows how a kind of love can co-exist with incomprehension. It suggests that Virginia might have found life even less tolerable without the great-thighed goddess she idealised in Orlando.

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Sue Townsend, the grandmother who made a fortune from capturing the mind of the teenager, is now living out a fantasy life for the Windsors

Times leader calls for the archy, and a week later it can government wins the election in April 1992, and overnight the royal family is stripped of its regal underpinnings and dispatched by the new prime minister, Jack Barker, to live on a hellhole council estate in the Midlands.

I can think of no author who graphically, demolish the institution so wittily and yet leave the family with its human dignity intact, as Sue Townsend has. She contrives to be both acute and affectionate. Did she mean to be affectionate? "No." she says. "But all you have to do to make the monarchy look redundant is to take them away from it, and show them as human beings. And once they are only human beings, how can you be harsh and cruel?"

Ten years ago this week, her Secret Diary of Adrian Mole, Aged 134, was read out on Radio 4. It became the most bought and unlike some bestsellers - most read book of the 1980s. The Queen and I (published next Monday by Methuen) will soon be read out in the same Radio 4 slot by Miriam Margolyes, so listeners and readers will discover how the royals adapt when thrust into the bleak and comfortless reality of the modern

The Queen has only ever seen council estates complete with red carpets, tongue-tied civic dignitaries, and a two-year-old in a Mothercare frock presenting a posy. Suddenly she and her family have to live cheek by jowl with oiks. people with tattoos and white stilettoes and videos knocked off the

"It stank. Somebody in the Close was burning car tyres ... Not one house on the Close had its full complement of windows. Fences were broken, or gone. Gardens were full of rubbish, black plastic bags had been split by marauding dogs, televisions flickered and blared. A police car drove into the Close and stopped. A policeman pulled a youth off the pavement, threw him into the back of the car and sped away ... A woman in white stilettoes ran down the road after a boy toddler, naked apart from his vest. She yanked the child by his fat little arm back into the house."

In fact, the Queen copes splendidly. Grim-faced, she listens to Mr Barker's "republican rubbish" and says: "So you will be scratching around for a new figurehead, a president of some kind, will you?". in her clear, crystal tones, snapping her handbag shut philosophically. Then she ties on her headscarf. straightens her back and gets on with things. She queues for her giro cheque at the social security. She helps her neighbour deliver a baby on the sofa in the litter-strewn living room. She begs bones from

the butcher for 30p for her corgi. The Queen Mother, shown her pensioner's bungalow, never loses her coquettish smile: " 'It's darling! It could be a kennel for a large dog. I love it," she pealed." The Prince of

Secret diary of a royal mole at Middleton Royal Hospital, has

and a shell suit and leaps into community action. "For him, it's Utopia," Ms Townsend says. "He's much happier. I know, from watching him very carefully, his body, how he holds his head. I know this man does not want to be the king. Who would?"

The Princess Royal, too, has inner resources: she sets about doing DIY, plumbing in her own washing-machine, and keeps a horse in her back garden. The Princess of Wales muddles through, a bit tearfully, while Wills' and Harry's spelling and grammar atrophy at the local primary school.

But the Duke of Edinburgh can't stand it - bloody this and bloody that - and nor can Princess Margaret: she keeps saying how ghastly and unspeakably vile everything is and tries to escape to Bobo Criche-Hutchinson's country house, until her sister crisply reminds her that they are under curfew. Margaret must keep her chin up: what would Crawfie say? "She hated me," Margaret says. "You were a hateful little girl, that's why," the Queen replies. "Bossy, arrogant and sly. Crawfie said you'd make a mess of your life -

and you have."

Prince Edward is out of it, in New Zealand with a touring musical called Sheep!, while the Duke of York is in his submarine under the Polar icecap. Fergie, alas, had to be excised from the book at the last minute. "She really took to estate life," Ms Townsend says. "She was a good-time girl, went to the youth chub disco, made a lot of friends

very quickly - she was OK." Two years ago Ms Townsend started on a different book with the same title. She was going to interplay her own biography and the Queen's, a study in contrasts. It was a nice idea, but it did not work. One restless, wakeful night, she realised that a better plot would be just to take royalty from the royals. She had no inkling, then, of the scandals that would erupt, but has no relish for the recent tabloid tattling. "I hate the fact that telephoto lenses were used. I hate the fact that a private telephone conversation was reproduced." And she feels "a bit nervous" about what Kitty Kelley might bring out

about the Duke of Edinburgh. ut Ms Townsend is a woman of mettle, or she could not have allowed the Queen Mother to die on page 188, at which even the most hardened anti-monarchist must feel a frisson of dismay. "She were a nice woman; spoilt, but nice." a neighbour remarks: Laid out in her favourite blue gown, she still wears her sweet smile. The local evening paper notes her death much as The Independent might, in a single paragraph: The former Queen Mother, who in 1967

opened the Casualty Department

died in Heliebore Close, the Flow-Of course it is preposterous. It is

preposterous that anyone has to live on these squalid estates, anyway. How can the Queen's Aubusson rugs ("A bit threadbare," sniffs a neighbour with wall-to-wall Wilton) fit into 9 Hellebore Close, whose dimensions are listed as: "lounge, 14ft 10ins by 12ft 7in: bedroom 1, 13 ft iin by 10ft 1in. bedroom 2, 9ft 5in by 9ft 2in? The smallness of the spaces in which most families live is a fact of life: it staggers Ms Townsend even today



to realise how tiny her parents' Leicester prefab was. "It's been pulled down now, but it is just incredible that our family of five lived there. I once lay down in the space where our bathroom was, and it seemed to me my feet were overhanging.

"Still, when you think that they were just thrown up in a few weeks after the war, prefabs were brilliantly built. They had a kitchen range and a fireplace and a chimney in the asbestos roof, and three bedrooms ... It was quite a leat to fit furniture in them, but my mother was very skilful. We were relieved when 'cottage suites' came in.

"But we didn't feel cramped. We were surrounded by countryside, and played outside the whole time, in a gang of all ages, toddlers to teenagers. We were on the edge of a country estate that had belonged to Lady Raiston, with an old derelict house and a lake and a forest of trees. We could go blackberrying and drink water from the brook, and make fires and bake potatoes. That was the most idyllic playing. Later, they built a council estate on the land and destroyed all the trees. They just exploded them. It was tragic to watch. It was not a coincidence that I went into advenare playground work. The children on council estates had nothing but a rotten swing and a concrete nunnel."

Her Just William childhood adventuring was appropriate because Richmal Crompton's

punctured and undermined adults' And Richmal Crompton wrote with such glorious humour and irony. It's the best of English writing."

She has continued to be a passionate proselytiser for reading and literacy. "I am addicted to print. And all my children are the same. They are all readers, thank God." It appalls her that Britain's literacy rate is lower than Taiwan's. When Mole's fantastic commercial success invited the inevitable merchandising, she would allow only things that would encourage writing: pencils, notebooks and diaries. I admire the way Ms Townsend

has controlled her fame and fortune. When riches arrived, she made firm decisions. Money, she says, gives you two things: space and choice. Nothing else matters. The Townsends eventually

moved from the council estate to a sun-filled Edwardian house with secluded garden, minutes from Leicester's railway station. When the postbags came, full of requests for her time or her money, she learned to say no. She has lost count of the covenants she has made to charities - all for unappealing causes like illiteracy and maladjusted teenagers: "Nothing vinsome." She has managed to keep her four children and her husband, a canoe-builder (whom she met while on a canoeing course for playleaders, when he swam to her rescue) firmly out of the glare.

She remains a diffident public speaker and has done scarcely any relevision, with exceptions such as her BBC2 programme on The Body, for which she shed 20lb. "I had to re-examine my feelings about my body. I no longer wanted to live in this hunched-up English way, swathed in drapes of clothing. so you couldn't see what shape ! was. It was a great breakthrough for me. I don't mean I started swanning around in a mini-skirt ... Well", (she looks down at her trim, mini-skirted figure), "I did start swanning around in a mini-

At 47% she is a grandmother of three. She left school at 15, sans qualifications, and married at 18. But she remembers the years of bringing up her first three children alone as good times. She was never downtrodden. She had three parttime jobs - mornings with old people, youth club from 7.30pm to 9.30pm, and being a waitress and barmaid until 2am in a pub restaurant, which put her off eating out for a while: "My first task every night was to pick out the mousedroppings from the cream jugs, and flies would fly out of the meat in Swarms."

She felt vital and healthy, and poverty simplified life. She baked cakes every day. When the tele-

children were happier; there was so plenty to write about.

Even as a child, she says, she had felt uneasy about people's reverence for the royals. "It used to amaze me that people worshipped them, just for being them. It's so demeaning. ft didn't make sense. It seems extraordinary, now that they're on the front page, bare-breasted and having their toes sucked. But they were deities, then, lumped together with God and the Church."

he was, like everyone else of her generation, swept up in the excitement of Coronation Day in 1953. She remembers carrying a wobbly green jelly to the street party. Then came the news of the conquest of Everest "Sherpa Tensing was my hero," she says, "and the Queen of Tonga, these Kipling figures - it confirmed what we'd been taught about the Commonwealth, those pink patches on the wax paper map that was rolled down in front of the blackboard. We knew we ruled the world, and there was the young monarch and her handsome consort in his Ruritanian getup, under the vaulted ceilings of the Abbey. The Abbey, and Mount Everest! Twin peaks, she recalls, that made little colonialists of us all

The cold, clear daylight of adult life has dissipated all that. Her humane, jokey writing style may cloak her real feelings of anger: she says she is not really as nice as she appears to be. "I can be very cruel", she says, "mside my head." Behind her hesitant manner and smoky laughter seethes a radical soul. Why is there no real action on illiteracy and unemployment? "Life is food and drink and work. Everybody needs work. You have to feel you are contributing something. It is lack of employment that criminalises people.

There are people on these council estates who try so hard to make life better, or just bearable. Women like Philomena Toussaint Ithe Queen Mother's West Indian neighbour in the book] and Violet women who rally round at times of birth and death and crisis, and run play schemes, unpaid. All the people who show goodness and kindness. Nothing is more important than that. If anyone is worthy of our admiration, they are."

Adrian Mole lives on: in her next book he will be 234, working in the Department of the Environment, studying the newt population, a job he hates. Mole was a comic classic, in the underdog-diarist tradition of Pooter. (She could not have foreseen that we would have a Moleish prime minister who could be parodied in Private Eye's The Secret Diary of John Major aged 474.) But it was also subliminally

industry and export orders, yet the balance of payments is the same as ever. We're still on the yellow brick she says in the book, she might as subversive about Thatcher's Britain. The new book has a far more well have stayed at home. Ms Townsend hopes her book overtly polemical thrust. Quite apart from the recent cracks within the royal family, she believes, the

public is no longer as susceptible to

the mystic reverence of majesty, as

staggering, but the cost of keeping

We are so sophisticated now.

Bagehot predicted.

will have, like Mole, a crossgeneration appeal. It all ends happily, but older readers may recognise the fact that it is her wish that something like this might really happen, no matter how frightening such a change might We can't maintain this Ruritania. They perpetuate a ridiculous hierseem. (Even she would miss the scarlet and gold of ceremonial archy and we give them a huge spectacle.) "It is my wish to say: amount of money that they do not need, being already fabulously These people are only human beings. They are not really worthy privately rich. The figures are of our worship and admiration. HMS Britannia, £30,000 a day, is Such feelings have to be earned."

simply not fair. The poor Queen is





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Late decision to call off Tokyo trip exposes Yeltsin's vulnerability

BY ANNE McElvoy in moscow and Our Foreign Staff

PRESIDENT Yeltsin's decision to cancel his intended visit to Tokyo this weekend has confirmed his standing as a pragmatic political operator, but cast further doubts on his ability to resist pressure from the conservative-nationalist

in Tokyo, Mr Yeltsin's decision was seen to reinforce doubts among Japanese companies about doing business with Russia, experts said. "Naturally, this is not a plus." said an official at the Japan Institute for Overseas Investment. "We don't know exactly why he called off the visit, but if one interprets this as a sign of political instability, it means that doing business there is

Observers in Tokyo agreed that Mr Yeltsin's decision to call off the trip showed he was losing ground to conservatives opposed to handing back is-lands off Japan's northern coast in exchange for economic aid. The visit, intended to discuss the future of the Kurile islands which the Soviet Union seized from Japan at the end of the second world war, was looking not only illstarred but positively dangerous for the Russian leader.

His opponents, right and left, had seized enthusiastically on the issue as a weapon against Mr Yeltsin. The islands, whose population totals 47.000 (20,000 of them military personnel), have acquired significance in the tangle of domestic politics. Both groups see the southern Kuriles as a symbol of national pride, the former because they resist the idea of Russia selling off its territorial silver in return for an influx of Japanese capital, the latter as a symbol of Soviet wartime gains.

In view of the variety of hostile forces ranged against President Yeltsin over the economy this autumn, the prevalence of nationalist sentiment in the country as a whole and the mounting ethnic unrest on the country's borders, he would indeed have been unwise to open up this particular flank, all in search of a diplomatic coup that he had not the slightest chance of

Mirage

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ness of the cancellation is a Woo of South Korea and startling indication of the Russian leader's vulnerability to the opposition lobby at whose whim he can be seen to have sacrificed an important opportunity to smarten up his international profile and open the way for some muchneeded Japanese investment. Tokyo's sensibilities, already raw in dealings with Moscow over the southern Kuriles have

The question remains as to why he left the decision to call

The change was announced only minutes before a press conference that had been convened to present the Russian position in the talks on the meeting with his security council; a shadowy but extremely powerful policy making body in which hardline figures such as Aleksandr Rutskoi, the vice-president, wield influence. Procedures there were described by the president's spokesman, Vyacheslav Kostikov, as "extremely difficult" - which in the political vocabulary of

discussed progress on reform and other issues during a telephone conversation with President Bush, the presidential press service said. The Russian leader also spoke by

offered to turn over Russian

records relating to the shoot-

ing down of a Korean Air

Lines passenger jet in 1983 by

relations and interaction be-

tween Washington and Mos-

cow in international events,

the press service said, accord-

ing to Itar-Tass news agency.
The report said President

Roh "highly appreciated" President Yeltsin's offer to

transfer materials concerning the shooting down of KAL Flight 007. The plane, a Boeing 747 flying from An-

chorage to Seoul, was shot

down on September 1, 1983, after it violated Soviet air-

space. All 269 passengers and crew on board were killed.

er had entered Soviet airspace by mistake. Moscow insisted

that it was part of a joint

United States-South Korean

South Korea said the airlin-

Mr Yeltsin's talk with Mr Bush also touched on bilateral

Soviet fighters.

been badly irritated. Staying at home to fend off internal critics today may have cost Mr Yeltsin a lot of useful yen in the

off the Tokyo visit so late. Although there have been signs that President Yelisin had been considering cancellation for the last two weeks, preparations for the visit were at an advanced stage. A dele-gation of 40 Russian officials had already arrived in Tokyo, the sushi banquet and display of sumo wrestling had been planned and even the quarrels over his security arrangements

Kuriles to Japanese journalists and was followed by a stormy these parts means an almighty

The aura of lurching turmoil around the events demonstrates how finely balanced are Russia's political forces and how far removed from normality are its affairs of

Yesterday, President Yeltsin But the unseemly abrupt- phone with President Roh Tae

NEWS IN BRIEF 150 die as two-day deluge hits **Pakistan**

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN DELHI

Taiper: Taiwan has postponed the signing of an agreement to buy 60 advanced French jet fighters despite indications that the French government would ignore Chinese protests and approve the deal.

The headquarters of the Taiwanese air force said that agreement to buy the Mirage 2000-5 jets had been delayed, but would not elaborate.

Informed sources here said that Dassault Aviation executives were in Taipei to sign the agreement (AFP)

Party chooses

Peking: The Chinese Com-munist party has finished selecting almost 2,000 delegates to the fourteenth party congress, which is expected to be held this year. The meeting is likely to consider a reshuffle of the leadership. (Reuter)

UN flies in

Nairobi: A team of United Nation officials flew from the Kenyan capital to Somalia to win peace between the warproving food distribution to help the country's starving millions. (Reuter)

Arms charge

Orlando: A federal jury in Florida has charged Innocent Bisangwa-Mbuguje, secretary to President Museveni of Uganda, with arms smuggling. Two retired Egyptian officers and two Americans were also charged. (AFP)

Hot work

Tokyo: The Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute said that its scientists had achieved the highest temperature so far achieved artificially - 440 million degrees Celsius. (AFP)

Rich to poor

Cairns: Wally Taylor. 61. who was too poor to pay his phone bill, bought a lottery ticket and won Aus\$1 million. Fearing his life would be changed, he gave it away immediately to friends and research. (AP)

believed to have died in northern Pakistan after two days of torrential rain deluged the Islamabad, and wreaked havoc in mountainous regions north of the city.

The government sent hundreds of rescue workers to Kashmir and declared a state of emergency in many mountain districts. Entire villages were engulfed in mudslides, prompting fears that the death toll could rise heavily when rescue workers start digging for bodies.

Low-lying areas of Muz-affarahad, the small and extremely poor capital of "Azad practically into a lake. Water rose to the first floor of the town's only hotel. Two rivers that flow through the town. the Jhelum and the Leelum. burst their banks.

The town has few hospitals and telecommunication facilities are minimimal. The few roads are little more than mountain tracks in places and frequently are washed away or blocked by mudslides during the monsoon. This is bound to hamper rescue efforts.

The mountain resort town of Murree, 30 miles north of Islamabad, was engulfed. The meteorological office in Islamabad said it bore the brunt of the downpour. Many mountainside villages in the area were swept away and

mudslides engulfed others. The disaster came after a continuous downpour that began late on Tuesday and ended at dawn yesterday. dumping 14 inches of rain on most areas of Kashmir. Eight inches of rain fell on Islamabad and the neighbouring city of Rawalpindi in the same period, forcing several planes

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to be diverted to Karachi. Several areas of Islamabad and Rawalpindi were kneedeep in water. Flooding in the capital and neighbouring areas washed away many shanty homes, leaving thousands homeless.



Tight India security for Princess Royal

The Princess Royal arrived in Delhi amid tight security on a private visit during which she plans to tour remote regions on the country's border with

Accompanied by her private secretary and a lady-in-waiting, she met the Indian vicepresident, K.R. Narayanan. The princess was scheduled to visit the regional office of the Save the Children Fund, of which she is president. The Indian army and police have set up elaborate security in the Sino-Indian border region where the princess is expected to spend five days.

About 5,000 elderly communists and several former Polish leaders paid their last respects to murdered former prime minister Piotr Jaroszewicz and his wife Alicja at a simple ceremony in Warsaw's Powazki cemetery, nine days after he was strangled and she was shot dead.

Li Guiren, a dissident Chinese editor jailed for trying to organise a strike to protest against Peking's crushing of pro-democracy demonstra-tions in 1989, is critically ill in prison, the US-based human rights group Asia Watch said. The group said that Mr Li. who is in his forties, has a serious heart condition, can no longer walk and has trouble

The East German spymaster Markus Wolf, 69, refused to answer questions from a parliamentary committee in former communist regime's financier. Alexander Schalck-Golodkowski.

Eric Clapton's Tears in Heaven, written as a tribute to his

son Conor, four, who was killed in a fall from a New York flat last year, was named best male video at the ninth annual MTV Video Music Awards in Los Angeles.

The former West German chancellor Willy Brandt, 78. who has stomach cancer, is taking daily doses of morphine and is close to death.



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Fitzwater backtracks on Bush tax pledge

FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON

ONLY hours before President Bush was to make an important speech in Michigan on the economy yesterday. White House officials threw his reelection campaign into confusion by backtracking on the "no new taxes" promise he made earlier in the week. Marlin Fitzwater, the White

House press spokesman, insisted that Mr Bush had not given any kind of pledge in New Jersey on Wednesday when he said he would never again raise taxes. Mr Fitzwater's remarks threatened to overshadow the president's speech in Detroit, which has been billed all week by his aides as a comprehensive statement on the economagenda for a second Republican term in the White

The Democrats greeted Mr Fitzwater's intervention with unreserved glee, Al Gore, Bill

was grateful to the press secretary for showing that Mr Bush was not to be trusted. We now know that whenever Mr Bush bangs his fist on the table and sets his jaw and says he will never ever do some-thing, he doesn't really mean it. Four years ago Mr Bush fooled many people with his promises. We all know better this time, thanks to Mr

Mr Bush's comments in his New Jersey speech have been widely seen as a renewal of his 1988 "read my lips, no new

He said he had made a mistake in 1990 by agreeing to a tax rise to get a deficit-Democrat-controlled Congress. "We do not need to raise taxes," he said. "I found out the hard way: I went along with one Democratic tax increase and I'm not going to do

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presidential elections, said he it again. Ever, ever." The confusion over the status of the president's comments could not have come at a worse time for the Republicans. Mr Bush has been struggling to seize the initiative on the economy. the central issue of this year's presidential campaign, from Governor Clinton. His campaign managers had devoted this week to the economy. Their aim has been to conince voters that the president has a clear idea of what he wants to do to improve the country's sluggish economy. More, the Republicans have been describing his Detroit speech in advance as a land-

> campaign.
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> The backracking on Mr
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> Bush's New Jersey anti-tax
> comments may well be a
> public manifestation of the bitter debate raging in the White House about future

mark in his re-election



Ethics woman: Hillary Clinton, wife of the Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton, addressing a class at a school in Traverse City. Michigan. She spoke to the schoolchildren about their rights and responsibilities

Polls point to a cliff-hanger in presidential race

From August 25 to 27, Yan-kelovitch, Clancy, Shuiman,

tioned likely voters and found

14 per cent were undecided, 40 per cent for Mr Bush and

46 per cent for Mr Clinton.

From August 26 to 29, Louis Harris and Associates found

45 per cent for Mr Bush and

50 per cent for Mr Clinton

with only 5 per cent undecid-ed. It would appear there was

a 4 to 5 per cent discrepancy

for each candidate between

the pollsters' results. Yet by

re-allocating the undecided

figures each pollster found 47

The opinion polls flutter across the American landscape like leaves in the autumn wind, with no fewer than 39 national polls and scores of state polls having been reported since the nomi nation of Bill Clinton, the Arkansas governor, for the tion in mid-July. At that time, when most of the running was being made by the Democratic challenger rather than President Bush, Mr Clinton led by a huge 20-plus point lead.

Pundits looked for the Republican convention bounce" to see the effect on the presidential contest, following the renomination of Mr Bush. There was a 6 per cent swing to the president during the period of the Republican convention, the pre-convention figures of 61 per cent for Mr Clinton, 39 per cent for Mr Bush narrowing to a ten-point gap, 55-45, after re-allocating the "don't knows". Since then however, the Clinton figures, unlike those of Michael Dukakis four years ago, have recovered ed, by ABC News/The WashRobert Worcester, of Mori, examines the work and the methods of opinion pollsters as they gear up for the American presidential election in November

Today, showing a 16 point Clinton lead with 58 per cent to 42 per cent for Mr Bush. One reason why polls are often reported as being "all over the place" is that different polling firms use different miques to identify their samples and ask voting intention. In America there tends to be quite a low turn-out by British standards: current estimates are that fewer than half of eligible Americans are expected to cast their ballot on November 3. Some polling firms ask all registered voters while others ask only "likely

per cent for Mr Bush and 53 for Mr Clinton. voters", those registered voters who have indicated they With the American federal will vote in November by their system of voting, where electors vote in their states for the answers to various questions. The best way to iron out these state's share in the electoral methodological differences is college, state by state results by re-allocating the "don't are important to examine.

to the national findings: polls in Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, Maryland and Tennessee all show Mr Clinton leading Mr Bush by 12 to 14 per cent. In Alabama, however, where the Democrats' addition of Al Gore, the Tennessee senator,

to the ticket as the prospective vice-president was designed to bring the conservative South back to the Democratic fold, the two parties' candidates are level pegging, and in North Carolina Mr Clinton leads by 52 per cent to 48 per cent for the president.

A merican national polls by the well-known polling organisations are all done by telephone and use sample sizes of about 1,000. The socalled statistical reliability figures of plus or minus 3 per cent for a sample of 1,000 is the same as for Britain, with an electorate of 43 million, as it is for America, with an adult population of 186 million (or Ireland, for that matter, with 3.5 million). More important than statistical reliability, as seen in the recent British main causes of the British pollsters' 1992 downfall. Democratic presidential

hopeful Paul Tsongas, senator for Massachusetts, is in Britain this week meeting British officials. American Democrats and others, and is launching his "concord coalition", an Economic Common Cause, intended to bring a voice of fiscal responsibility to vhomever is elected.

My own guess at this stage, in the first of my weekly articles about the American election, is that we are in for a cliff-hanger, but with the eventual result that we will wake up on the morning of November 4 with a re-elected Mr Bush having won by 53 per cent to 47 per cent facing a Democratic Congress and economic gridlock in America for four more years.

Robert M. Worcester is chairman of Mori and visiting professor of government at the London School of Economics. His analysis of the US elections will be appearing weekly in The Times and is compiled with the assistance of Ameri-

Doctors debate cash for kidneys

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

WITH seven people dying in America every day as a result of the shortage of organ donors, transplant charities here are considering proposals to legalise cash payments for

organ donation. The National Kidney Foundation of America is conducting a survey to establish the public reaction to plans which would .make the bereaved families of organ donors eligible for financial compensation. Various schemes have been proposed including the payment of a flat fee to donors' families, reimbursement for burial or medical expenses and a form of life-insurance.

Demand for organ transplants in America has grown since the procedure became routine during the 1980s but the number of donors has hardly moved. The idea of invoking cash, rather than just conscience, as an incentive for donating organs has led to ethical debate within the medical establishment.

Under the US Transplant Act of 1984 it is a felony to buy or sell organs - a law which was passed to prevent "trad-ing" in vital body parts and prompted by fears that poor their body parts for hard cash. Some physicians now argue that while the sale of organs by live individuals should remain illegal, the law should be amended to permit the payment of modest sums to the families of donors, who often face large medical expenses.

Opponents of the scheme say that introducing the cash nexus into the emotionally difficult process of organ donation could dissuade people from making a choice that should be based on charity rather than profit, while others argue that the opportunities for litigation make a cash-fororgans scheme impossible. Pittsburgh: A man who

lived for more than two months after receiving a baboon's liver was infected with HIV, the virus that causes Aids, the University of Pittsburgh Medical Centre said. The unidentified man died of

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And in this week's Travel Section, Matthew Parris defies jet lag to face a long distance getaway weekend in Buerios Aires.

Plus Malcolm Bradbury recalls his hated schooldays and Tom Stoppard his favourite books. Mary Whitehouse talks of her childhood and Jonathan Meades finds. one of Britain's best gratins dauphinois in a restaurant in Bath.

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Old enemies buoyed by new mood of hope over Golan

ISRAEL and Syria, the most implacable foes in the Middie East, yesterday separately hinted that peace might be in prospect based on territorial compromise over the Israelioccupied Golan Heights.

But Farouq al-Sharaa, the Syrian foreign minister, promptly dampened hopes of a breakthrough by saying that hints of territorial compromise by Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, were "unacceptable". Syria's aim remained a full Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights, he said.

There were none the less clear signs of a new atmosphere between the two countries. Mr Rabin for the first time explicitly said he was ready to swap some of the strategic land in exchange for a full peace treaty with Damascus. In an interview with Israel Radio, he raised new hopes for the peace talks reopening in Washington on Monday by commending a "significant change" in Syrla's tone. He emphasised, however, that Damascus must limit itself to reaching a peace treaty in Israel before he could begin to discuss ceding territory on the Golan.
"We have said that in

Clear signs are emerging that Israel and Syria are making progress on resolving the conflict over the Israeli-occupied territory, Christopher Walker writes

that promises an end to war and opens the borders between Syria and Israel, diplomatic relations and normalisation, that Israel is ready to implement (United Nations resolutions) 242 and 338," Mr Rabin said, adding: "This implies, of course, some sort of territorial compromise."

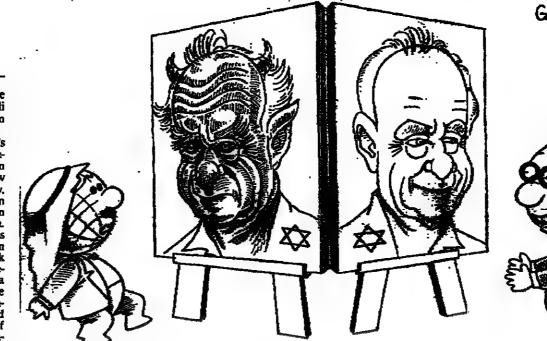
The prime minister declined to outline the size of possible territorial concessions despite repeated Syrian demands that it would accept nothing less than the whole. Israel television claimed that, in documents exchanged in mascus proposed that, once Israel had recognised Syrian sovereignty, an Israeli lease on the area for a period of years could be discussed.

The new mood of hope, a dramatic change from the gloom which surrounded Israeli-Syrian negotiations only a few weeks ago, was reinforced by a senior Syrian

exchange for a peace treaty diplomat who said: "We are positive about recent Israeli interpretations on the Golan

> Arhmed al-Hassan, Syria's ambassador to Iran, expressed cautious optimism on the talks in an interview with Abrar, the Tehran daily. and claimed that Mr Rabin had accepted that the Golan Heights belonged to Syria. He said the Israeli leader was adopting a healthier stand on the talks than had Yitzhak Shamir, his hardline predecessor, but insisted that Syria had not altered its stand. He called for total Israeli withdrawal from all occupied land and rejected any form of Israeli occupation, domination or lease of the Golan

The hints, however vague, of a possible deal infuriated Israel's right wing Bitter leaders of the 12,000 Jewish settlers on the Golan Heights announced anti-government



Double vision: al-Ahram, the semi-official Egyptian newspaper, portraying a two-faced Yitzhak Rabin

with a Saturday night rally at Ben Gurion interational airport to coincide with the departure of peace negotiators for Washington.

have no doubt that Rabin defrauded us, his voters, everyone who supported Labour in saying that the settlements of the Golan

harmed," Eli Malka, a settlers' leader, said. Mr Rabin, who virtually wrote off the chance of

his election campaign, reject ed the charges, saying: "I told the Golan settlers that the principal security importance

of the Golan Heights is, first of all, the geographic and topographic significance for the military. The settlements are secondary."
On Wednesday Mr Rabin

was heckled in the Knesset, recalled from summer recess to discuss the peace process. This is a black day," shouted Michael Eitan, a deputy from the recently-defeated Likud party. "This is the first time an Israeli prime minister has notified parliament he will give up territory to which Israeli law has been extended." Israel annexed the Golan in 1981 under the prime ministership of Menachem Begin. They were originally occupied in 1967.

Munich: Bavaria yesterday denied Israeli claims that German police bullets may have killed some of the Jewish athletes who perished in the September 4, 1972, Arab terrorist attack on the Munich Olympic Games. Official files on the massa

cre, in which 11 Israelis died, were not withheld from the victims' relatives, the justice ministry said in a statement responding to claims in an Israeli television documentary about the terrorist attack and its aftermath. (AP)

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Pretoria asks UN to broker deal with ANC

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

THE South African government went on the offensive yesterday with a surprising appeal to Boutros Boutros Ghali, the secretary-general of the United Nations, to send a representative to the country to try to end the violence and get talks restarted.

With Pretoria under international criticism in the aftermath of the killings at Bisho in the Ciskei, R. F. "Pik" Botha, the foreign minister, sent a memorandum to Dr Boutros Ghali urging him and members of the security council to demand that the African National Congress and the South African Communist Party abandon "any further provocative actions which put at risk the lives of Innocent South

Mr Botha also said that the government was prepared to year ago by the government, take steps of a coercive na-



Winnie's downfall complete

FROM RAY KENNEDY

WINNIE Mandela's fall from power in the African National Congress is now complete. She has announced her resignation from its national executive and her positions in its powerful Women's League. Yesterday, she became just another card-carrying member of the organisation. Her decision came in the

wake of fresh controversy over her relationship with Dali Mpofu, a young black lawyer. and the appeal court decision on Tuesday to commute to life imprisonment the death sentence passed on Jerry Richardson, former coach of her team of boydguards, for the murder of a child activist. The judges found that Mrs Mandela's influence over Richardson had to be regarded as a

mitigating factor. In a statement, she blamed her political downfall on "enemics . . . inside or outside our ranks". She said: "Those who have rejoiced in reading about our problems, and those who for selfish political and personal reasons have waged a vicious and malicious campaign against me, and through me [against] the leadership of my husband and our organisation, have unfortunately partly succeeded in

Letters, page 13 to leave for South Africa today.

ture" against those such as the leaders of the black homelands who did not agree to uniform measures to deal with protests. Yesterday, Mr Botha condemned Ciskei troops for their actions at Bisho.

Ministers here, as well as the right-wing press, have hitherto been keen to pin the blame for the killings on the rashness (or cynicism) of senior communists in leading demonstrators towards the troops at Bisho, and have seemingly disregarded the doctrine of minimum force.

Mr Botha's memorandum asked Dr Boutros Ghall to consider sending a special representative as soon as possible to assist in strengthening the peace secretariat and its regional structures, established here under an accord signed a the ANC and the Inkatha Freedom Party, and to attend as an observer the meeting of the accord's signatories pro-

posed by President de Klerk. Mr Botha also asked for the envoy to "enter into discussions with the main political role players with a view to assisting in bringing violence to an end and in removing the remaining obstacles to the resumption of negotiations". The South African govern-ment has plainly moved a long way from the days when it and the UN were in mutually hostile camps and it would inveigh against foreign interterence in its internal affairs.

ANC officials have recently depicted the internationalisation of the South African political impasse as a victory. Mr Botha stole more of the ANC's clothes yesterday by saying that the government and other parties in the Convention for a Democratic South Africa were considering whether any useful purpose will be served by continuing to negotiate with parties who had demonstrated no desire or intention to keep their

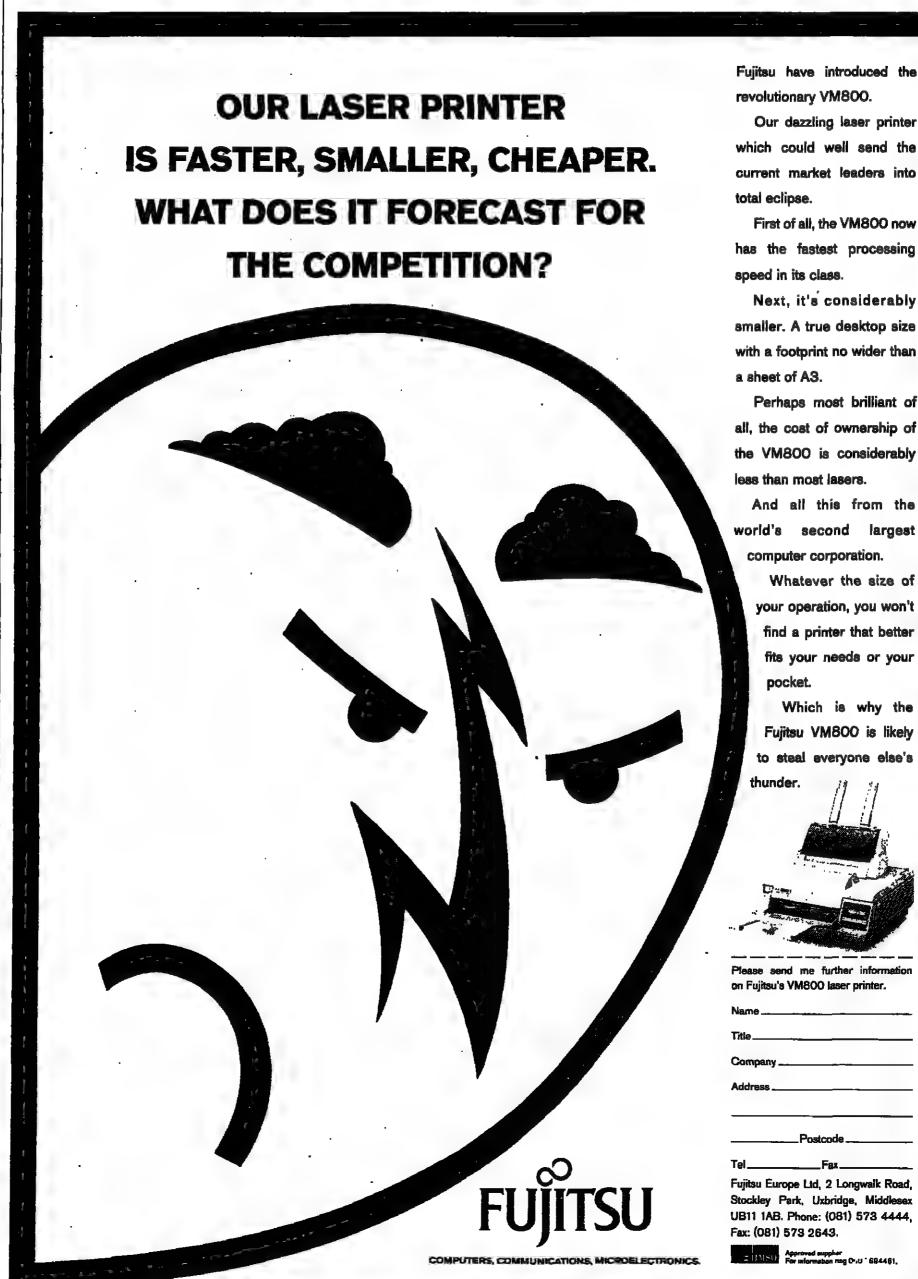
commitments". At a press conference in the Union Buildings in Pretoria yesterday, Mr Botha said the government was still committed to a negotiated democratic constitution and to elections being held as soon as possible, but added: "We have now reached a point at which violence is making the realisation of these ideals increasingly difficult to attain."

On Wednesday, Mr de Klerk announced that the government would establish guidelines for the management of demonstrations that would also be negotiated with the leaders of the so-called independent black homelands. Yesterday, Mr Botha was asked what would happen if Ciskei did not keep to such measures. He replied: "If it will lead to a lessening of tension and is in the interest of all citizens, we will take steps ... I cannot say what steps, but we have reached the point

coercive nature." Last month, the UN sent the former American Secretary of State, Cyrus Vance, to South Africa as a representative of the secretary-general. He rec-ommended that more monitors should be sent to work

with the peace secretariat. The first 13 of the monitors are due

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Pardon my **English**

Philip Howard on why sloppy speech won't die

nder the new, back-to-basics shake-up of teaching English, teachers will be expected to correct children who speak sloppily, even in the playground. This sounds bad news for Chaucer and Shakespeare, who rhymed cut with our present southern standard English put. Dr Johnson himself spoke sloppy English, pronouncing "superior" shuperior, and saying "woonce" for once, "poonsh" for punch, and "there" as though it rhymed with "near". A playground in 1992: "Ouch, yarooh, you wanker, wharrer you mean by nicking our ball. Gerroff." Mr Quelch, primly:
"Now, Bunter, neither wanker nor 'nick' are
acceptable in the lexicon of standard English, and the correct enunciation of the phrases you mangled so sloppily is 'what do you mean' and 'kindly remove yourself."

Not even secretaries of state for education and chairmen of national curriculum councils can mean that they are going to try to get all British children to speak with the posh and nasal southern drawl that they use themselves, can they? If they do, it is back to the barbaric age of hanging placards around children's necks and beating them for speaking with a regional or "uneducated accent. They cannot include accent, not even Brummie or a Belfast accent, as the kind of sloppiness to be corrected by teachers in the playground. Accents should be considered as a part of standard English only as a pronunciation target for foreign students learning English as a second language. Of course, if your accent is so thick, whether Brummie or politician's southern bray, other tribes may have trouble understanding you. Margaret Thatcher always had this problem in Scotland. English is tribal, not standard.

Il notions of a standard English are entwined with ideas of class and political control. There is no British equivalent to the Academie Française to set this elusive standard. Standard English cannot mean the kind of English that is in most common use, since even if we could discover it statistically, it would surely have an American twang. It surely cannot mean the English of a particular social class, ie, the upper-middling suburban and bossy class. A minute of listening in the pub or on the television. or indeed in the playground, shows that most English in actual use in the real world is anything but standard. It is richly varied, tribal, vernacular, coarse, inarticulate, sometimes expressive, usually ungrammatical. That is the way of language. Life would become intolerable if everybody spoke with the precision of a professor of classics, or with the yawping standard vacuity of politicians.

The idea of a standard English works better with the written word. In its written form, a sort of standard English is used by all writers of English who manage to get published by a reputable publisher, with remarkably little variation. But even in written English, there is no generally agreed standard of English: and any disputed version is inevitably changing all the time, in grammar, syntax, vocabulary, spelling, and all its other departments. What social engineers usually mean by standard English is the value-loaded terms 'good" or "educated" English, which most of us can recognise in a dim and value-loaded way. mixed up with our class and regional prejudices.

n 1988, the Kingman report on the teaching of English got much closer to the thorny heart of the matter than this week's simplistic report from the National Curriculum Council. It said: "All of us can have only partial access to standard English: the language itself exists like a great social bank on which we all draw and to which we all contribute."

Presumably, all that this week's instructions mean is that teachers, even in the playground, are expected to correct obscenities and howling solecisms. "No, no, Bunter, not 'it's 'im wot dunnit". "It was he who did it"." Good teachers have always done this, and will continue to do so, no doubt to some beneficial effect.

But in the war against sloppy English in the playground, my money is on Bunter and Shakespeare against the politicians. Ordinary English speakers have always won against authorities in the past, thank God. Because they are the real masters of the language. We must humbly help our children in their apprenticeship to our greatest common treasure.

British troops leaving for Bosnia could find themselves under fire from all sides, writes Roger Boyes

he mission of protect-ing United Nations re-lief convoys to Sarajevo and other besieged Bos-nian towns, which 1,800 British troops are soon to join, defies every lesson of modern warfare. The International Red Cross in Zagreb has been widely distributing a handy Serbo-Croatian booklet called The Rules of War. but almost every one of these rules is broken every day: unarmed civilians are shot at: prisoners are frequently beaten up and sometimes killed; soldiers are shot with their hands up or with their backs turned; the Red Cross symbol provides a useful target for artillery and mortar fire, ambulances are good sport for snipers. Without prettifying the Gulf war, it is clear that even Saddam Hussein fought more

deanly. The battle in Yugoslavia more closely resembles the Spanish guerrilla tactics in the Peninsular war against Napoleon, than the Nato training scenarios in which the aim was to stop the advance of Russian tanks across the north German plains. The 1st Battalion Cheshire regiment, which is

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standby, is armoured infaniry, part of the Desert Rats 7th Armoured Brigade, and its soldiers know how to handle their hefty Warrior combat vehicles. But the land corridor from Split to Sarajevo is ambush country. running along narrow winding roads. The ancient stone bridges are not built for military convoys and like the roads themselves are easily mined. The British vehides have powerful 30mm cannon that can blast away almost any vehicle used to block the road. But will the Cheshires be allowed to return "enemy" fire and who is the enemy anyway?

The Bosnian Serb leader, Doctor Radovan Karadzie has promised to silence his big guns or at least submit them to UN monitoring. But many local Serb commanders, unhappy with this decision, are doing their best to get round it. Their experience in Gorazde is that when the guns

they are besieging, then the Bosnian Muslims launch a counter-offensive. That in turn threatens the Serb communities in cities such as Bihac and Jajoe. So the Serb commanders are staying put. And as far as they are concerned the UN is the enemy for it is the UN that is trying to force them to abandon their holy mission of defending the Serbs against Muslim revenge. They even suspect that UN relief convoys are bringing guns and ammunition to the Muslims. That puts the UN and their Nato escorts directly into

the Serbian firing line. But the Bosnian Muslims also appear to be shooting at the UN. In Sarajevo the local UN commander is convinced that his most recent casualties were the work of Bosnian Muslim soldiers. It is difficult to say how he can be so sure. The Serbs are determined to pass on some of

are not above smuggling a mortar or snipers into Muslim positions and fabricating an attack. Yet there are Muslim commanders who believe that there are only two ways out of the war: a full-scale Western intervention that would be launched only when the UN mission was fatally compromised: or a decision to withdraw the UN and instead arm the Bosnian Muslims. Both options seem to be served by attacking the UN

Nor is the Croat position exactly lucid. The regular Croanan army has withdrawn from active military co-operation with the Bosnians (probably as a new step towards the partitioning of Bosnia between Serbs and Croats). Nonetheless, tough irregular ultra-nationalist units are continuing to fight and they share the Bosnian Muslims scepticism about the United Na-

Croatia, there have been a number of bloody incidents. When the UN eventually withdraws from Croatia, the Croats will want to reclaim the territory lost to the Serbs last year. Those who want an early military confrontation with Serbia are thus keen to chase away the UN.

In a classic murder novel, the detective always searches for the person who had both motive and opportunity on his side. In the murder of UN soldiers, there are Serbs, Croats and Muslims who have the motive and the

Despite the remarks this week of the defence secretary. Malcolm Rifkind, that UN troops in Bosnia had the right to defend themselves if attacked, the present rules of engagement are quite restrictive and this is con-tributing to the fast fading morale of the UN troops. There is friction between the various

national contingents in Sarajevo. with some complaining that they are being put in the firing line. At present, a UN soldier shot at by a sniper can return fire, but he cannot engage a sniper who shoots down a Bosnian grandmother a few yards away. If a machine gun mess is hampering a convoy the soldiers are not allowed to launch a preemptive attack. If the UN hears of an ethnic cleansing operation underway it cannot intervene but only file a report.

This means that the success of the first protected relief columns will be particularly significant. There are too many warrior myths circulating in the republies of the former Yugoslavia. The Serbian army has come to think of itself as invincible. Public demonstration of its limitations would make a useful point not only to the victims in Bosnia and many ordinary Serbs who are weary of war, but also to the cynical battlefield commanders in Bosnia who are merely waiting for the West's attention to shift elsewhere before reloading their guns and carrying the

When tactics are not enough

The prime minister's problems over Maastricht are obscuring his long-term aims, says Peter Riddell

he minister sounded almost convincing. He explained how the government could work its way through its Maastricht predicament, keeping both its Edropean policy and the Tory party more or less intact. This may work. But for all John Major's firm resolve last night against any realignment, preserving the current exchange-rate mechanism (ERM) parities could be trickier, not just immediately after the French referendum but over the autumn and winter.

The weakness in the government's approach is that the emphasis is all on tactics. There is little sense of strategy. Everything is designed to surmount immediate obstacles, rather than to provide a clear lead and to mobilise public opinion. In that sense Mr Major is a Wilsonian figure, Harold rather than Woodrow. That is sometimes wrongly taken to imply that a politician does not believe in anything. That would be unfair, certainly on Mr Major. He genuinely believes that Britain's place is at the heart of Europe. But like Harold Wilson, Mr Major is so keen to guard against all eventualities that his message becomes blurred. Paddy Ashdown touched a raw nerve when he said Mr Major was too much the whip concentrating on

Tory party unity.

The resulting ambiguity was epitomised by Mr Major's speech to the European Community presidency conference this week. Admittedly, it was not a speech that Margaret Thatcher could ever have delivered. Mr Major wants Britain to be active in a strong, and developing. EC. But the Maastricht treaty itself was discussed in qualified terms. It was not ideal, but, overall, it was good for Britain in limiting

centralisation and extending cooperation between governments, and "worth preserving". The easiest way to do that, he said, was to ratify the treaty. He was

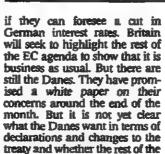
not exactly launching a crusade. That can, of course, he seen as prudent since, if the French vote against, the treaty is dead and Mr Major, and other EC leaders, will quickly have to devise a new approach to counteract the inevitable confusion and loss of momentum. By chance, the main discussions will be in America - foreign ministers will be in New York for the United Nations General Assembly, where they will hold an emergency meeting, and finance minsters and central bank governors will be in Washington for the annual meeting of the Interna-tional Monetary Fund. The im-mediate focus will be on the ERM. The British government will try to carry on with the uncompleted agenda of the sin-gle market (where important directives on telecommunications and transport are outstanding), the Gatt round free trade talks, strengthened co-operation, future financing and preparations for enlargement. The questions about centralisation raised by Maastricht will not go away: the EC will not stand still.

The danger is that everything will unravel, and that probably includes the recent agricultural agreement. National interests will be reasserted; for instance, the Mediterranean countries will resist enlargement talks in the absence of more money from Brussels and some countries may develop their own financial and

economic arrangements. But everything will not be as before even if the French vote for the treaty. There will be obvious, and loud, relief. The currency markets may stabilise, especially









EC can deliver. However, if the reckon there are no more than Danish difficulty looks like being 30 hard core opponents, dismissed as "nihilists" with no real resolved, the government may test opinion in the Commons by alternative by one senior minisholding what ministers call a general "paving" debate, as Mr Major promised in June. Raniyter. The prime minister and the whips squashed the rumblings of discontent in the summer and ing the treaty is likely to be long, new MPs have been told by bruising and probably boring, Richard Ryder that, if they want but the government should get the bill. The Tory artis are careers in the Commons, they had better not rebel. Labour. certainly vocal, but ministers including its leadership, remains

divided both on Maastricht and the ERM. Apart from procedural votes such as any guillotine, a sizeable group of Labour MPs and the Liberal Democrats will not vote against the bill.

The whips have not yet advised on the timing of the Commons debate, and whether also to restart the committee stage before the EC heads of government council in Edinburgh in December. That will be when the commission reports back on how to translate the treaty's vague words about subsidiarity into practical. and enforceable, rules. The council of ministers is engaged in a similar exercise, and Britain is interested in setting up a Euro-Law Commission to simplify EC laws and directives. Subsidiarity is now all the fashion, for which members of the European People's party (Christian Democrats and allies such as the Tories) expressed enthusiasm at their meeting in London this week.

f the French vote yes, the markets will stabilise, the Danes will come into line, the treaty will eventually be ratified, the Brussels commission will be chastened and the British view of a more decentralised community will rule the day. Perhaps. That is the optimistic, the government, version. The missing ingredient is the public. As today's new poli shows, there is as much unease among British voters about the treaty and the EC as in other countries. These doubts are only partially expressed in the

The obvious way to establish consent is via a referendum, so far resisted by the Tory and Labour leaderships. But John Smith faces growing party pres-sure to shift his position and the idea is gaining support in the press. I remain sceptical since the Maastricht treaty cannot easily be encapsulated in a referendum proposition without raising sholly unrelated issues. But Mr Major has somehow to establish popular support for his approach. That means that he must be more than an adroit whip.

...and moreover ALAN COREN .

suddenly find myself in a position to knock over sub-post-offices with impunity. Should that pall, I might alleviate ping into a seedy hotel with, let us say, an unemployed Iberian sou-brette, confident that neither she nor the chatelaine would be able to identify me and cozen a few bob out of the tabloids. And were I to find myself in the Question Time audience, I should, when Peter Sisson's finger beckoned, be able to spring to my feet, curse the assembled parliamentary rathags in language so simultaneously foul and libellous that the BBC switchboards would fuse to molten solder, and then vanish into the night without any risk whatever of recrimination or writ.

For in all these cases, they would be looking for a man with a heavy moustache. It would have been the first thing they had noticed, and the only thing they remembered. That is the kind of moustache it is.

You are right to pause and glance up at the photograph. But you are not right to mutter. oh. grown a moustache, has he, is that all, stuck for a subject again, you can always tell when a columnist is going off. up comes a moustache. Think, and you will quickly realise that merely growing a moustache would not allow me the full range of subversive fun of which the examples listed above are but the waxed tip. I would have to keep shaving it off and instantly growing it again.

I have not grown a moustache at all. I have bought one. In fact, I

have bought three: I should not want the sub-postmistress or the chatelaine to leap from their chairs in the middle of Question mant", so I have bought an M2, an M4 and a C102, although those unhabituated to mooching about in Tavistock Street will need to think of them as a Groucho Marx, a Jimmy Edwards and a Che Guevara. I look knockout in all of them. Children flinch: dogs run, yelping. None of this would have come

about did the London parking system not make work for idle hands. A couple of days ago, due for lunch in Covent Garden at one, I arrived at 12.30 to give myself time to find a meter, but struck lucky immediately. It was bang opposite the premises of Charles H. Fox Ltd. purveyors of make-up to the theatrical trade since 1878. With time to kill. ! walked across. It was a great window: hung with racks of moustaches and beards and sideburns. It enabled me. by variously crouching and sliding, to position my reflected face so that I became a hirsute spectre. At which point, a thought appeared on the horizon, no bigger than a man's goatee. I looked at my watch. I

went in. When I came out, I was walking behind a dark brown M2. I also had an M4 and a C102 in my pocket. A snip, as it were, at £7.40 each, and — if you look like Groucho, puns come easy - not to be sneezed at; not, at least, for those uncertain of the properties of spirit gum. When I arrived at Boulestin, my host, who was wat-

ching the door from his table and has known me for 20 years, did not recognise me. I took off my hat and stared at him. He looked away. It was only then that it dawned on me that I should not be able to come clean - thanks. Groucho - but would have to wear the thing right through lunch, because however great a fool I might look with it on, it would be nothing to the fool I would look if I suddenly whipped it off. So when my host said: "How long have you had a mou-stache?" I just smiled, and since the crinkling lip didn't nudge it off. I needed to say nothing.

But I have never had such trouble with a menu: I had to find stuff you could poke through a fringe with impunity, punity being detritus adhering to an M2, which might itself end up adhering to a napkin. I chose cold sauceless prawns, grilled sole and cheese, none of which I fancied, and I let trapped winedrops trickle down for collection on my chin. Thank God I didn't buy a beard. £18.50, since you ask.

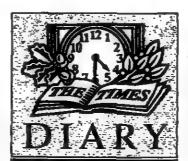
I got away with it, though. It stayed on, and it has been on and off a fair bit since, although M4 and C102 have remained pristine in their packets. You need to work up to a Jimmy or a Che. Just one thing nags at me: pristine has two senses, and when I look at the labels, the words "100% human hair. Made in Hong Kong" gives me pause. Is someone, I wonder, even now sitting down at a table in Seoul's fashionable Crispy Airedale into opposite a host saying: "How long haven't you had a moustache?"

Theatre of the absurd

AND after Godot came David Mellor. Waiting for the minister of fun on Wednesday night could have been a scene straight out of Samuel Beckett. There were Sir Michael Checkland and John Birt hosting the party to celebrate 25 years of the BBC Radio's The World This Weekend, nervously consulting their watches, wondering if the arts minister would show. Among those kept waiting were not only the BBC bosses but politic-ians Lord Callaghan, Enoch Pow-ell and Roy Haftersley, as well as Mellor's cabinet colleagues Virginia Bottomley and Michael Howard. Even Martin Bell, still recuperating from his injuries sustained in Bosnia, had made it on

Where could Mellor be? The minister had eagerly accepted the invitation and speeches were delayed pending his arrival. One senior employee wondered if Chelsea were playing at home. BBC executives shuffled restlessly and politicians exchanged ribald suggestions about what had detained the minister. Still they waited, for Birt and Checkland were reluctant to pass up the opportunity of a blessing from the minister in charge of broadcasting - especially when Mellor had turned up earlier in the day at Classic FM to add his personal endorsement to BBC

radio's first national rival. By a quarter to eight Checkland was engaged in a jovial debate with David Hatch, BBC radio's managing director, about whether the latter-day Godot would show. Reluctantly they decided that Callaghan, the guest of honour, could be kept waiting no longer. Brandishing a large knife, the former prime minister hovered menacingly over



the anniversary cake. This is a benign cut," he announced to the Mellor-less gathering. "And it is the only one I am going to make at the BBC." As for Mellor, he never did appear and offered no explanation. But then neither did

• Ever since the four police officers walked free from a courthouse in the Simi Valley in California thus sparking the Los Angeles riots
- local inhabitants have felt their
reputation across the United States to be seriously damaged. So much so that the local council in Simi is now discussing changing the suburb's name. The suggested new identity? The much more soothing and serene sounding Santa Susanna

Faith triumphs

SAMUEL Johnson is about to get his book back. The good doctor, whose bronze likeness has stood outside St Clement Dane's church in the Strand for over 80 years, was recently robbed of the volume by vandals. After reading of his plight in this column last week, Faith Winter, who sculpted the Bomber Harris statue unveiled at the church by the Queen Mother earlier this year, has come to the

Winter has written to Tom Goode, the resident chaplain, offer-

ing "to sculpt the replacement book for free as a contribution to your church". The Burleighfield arts foundry at High Wycombe, which cast the Harris statue, has also of-fered its services free of charge. Winter says: "It is a small return for the kindness the church staff showed me during the planning stages of my statue of Sir Arthur Harris." Despite Dr Johnson's mishap, the Harris statue has re-mained unscathed. "We were very nervous because of the controversy," Winter says. "But the statue is constantly being enhanced by people laying wreaths and flowers on the plinth."

live always found him a bit heavy.



Read my lips

DESPITE his nice guy image, John Major still knows how to wound. Tony Benn, in the latest volume of his diaries to be published next month, records a conversation with Major, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, after a Commons debate on the EMS in November 1989. I think Mrs Thatcher would have agreed with most of what you said," Major told Benn. The Labour left-winger was predictably appalled. "Well I don't agree with her!" he snapped back.

"You will be in the EMS soon." "Yes", Major replied, "but it doesn't make any difference at all." Try telling that to the markets.

 So why was Tony Blair so late for the Crime Concern conference at Westminster yesterday? Well actually he wasn't. The organisers kept him waiting outside until Michael Jack, the junior home office minister had left, having been told by Jack's office that the minister was not prepared to share the stage with the shadow home secretary."

Cheer leader

WHILE the Tory and Labour parties are actively discouraged from using the facilities of Westminster for election fund-raising purposes, there seems to be no such bar on American politicians. The United States presidential election comes to the oldest parliamentary democracy today when Paul Tsongas, a former candidate, and the economist J. K. Galbraith host a cocktail party and dinner at the House of Commons to rally support for Bill Clinton's campaign. Under the auspices of Lord Howie of Troon, a Labour peer with interests in international civil engineering projects. politicians and businessmen will pay £100 a head to help boost the Democratic campaign under the slogan "Bill Clinton offers a meaningful change in direction for

But if Clinton hopes that the cash will help finance his campaign, he will help finance his campaign, he But if Clinton hopes that the cash raised will be used to pay off debts incurred by Tsongas during his own attempt to secure the Democratic nomination. No wonder he lost. With the pound now hovering around the two dollar mark, Tsongas and friends are inviting pay-ment in dollars — at the extremely generous and uncapitalist rate of \$1.92 to the pound.

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GOOD MONEY AFTER BAD

John Major has staked huge personal credibility on the defence of sterling and the defeat of inflation, apparently to the exclusion of all other economic goals. When he promised, as he did again last night in Glasgow, that sterling would not be devalued, adjusted or realigned from its ERM parity of DM 2.95, he unquestionably meant what he said. Yet the currency markets do not seem to believe him. If they did, sterling would not be floundering at the bottom of the ERM despite the billions of pounds spent by the Treasury to buoy it up. Why are international investors treating Mr Major's promises with the respect due to a used-car salesman?

Specifical British Billion

The reason is simple. Mr Major can no more guarantee to maintain an arbitrary price for sterling in the market place than could his benighted predecessors in the 1950s and 1960s. The prime minister has it in his power to curb inflation with either fixed or floating exchange rates. He could, if he wished, manage fiscal and monetary policy to achieve faster economic growth, But outside the realm of a Europe gasping its desperate way towards full-scale monetary union, the value of sterling, like any other market price, must be determined by the demand for British goods and assets. The performance of the economy will determine the exchange rate, not statements by politicians or central bankers. Was this not the truth in which the present cabinet was schooled?

Mr Major is justifiably proud of his achievement in lowering inflation. But while high inflation is undesirable, endlessly "squeezing inflation out of the economy" is neither a necessary nor a sufficient condition for the attainment of other more important economic goals. The Treasury has told Mr Major that his policy on inflation is inseparable from the Treasury's liking for fixed exchange rates. The mandarins have somehow persuaded him that both will automatically bring prosperity and economic growth, at least by the next election.

This view is misguided. An example of just how misguided is offered by this week's events in Sweden. The Swedish govern-

ment's bizarre measures to defend its currency as a prelude to joining the European Community and the ERM are the reductio ad absurdum of the policy Mr Major propounded in Glasgow. Sweden has already reached his promised land of nearzero inflation. Its prices are rising at 2.2 per cent annually, the lowest rate in Europe. This achievement has done nothing to improve the credibility of a fixed exchange rate. Sweden is enduring an overnight interest rate of 75 per cent. Mortgage rates are 24 per cent and rising. Hoping to impress the markets even further with its commitment to 'prudent" policies, the Swedish government has said it would borrow up to £22 billion, or 23 per cent of Sweden's gross domestic product, to throw at the market.

Would Mr Major raise British mortgage rates to 24 per cent and borrow a quarter of GDP from foreign banks to defend sterling if the market pressures became overwhelming after the French vote? Even if he did, would he be able to live up to his sterling commitment? Even Sweden's hugely imprudent and economically destructive package is unlikely to hold up the krona for much longer than the nine days remaining until the French referendum.

If on September 20 the EMU illusion is shattered once and for all, the prime minister will have to acknowledge a difference between the means and ends of economic policy. Exchange-rate management is not an end, any more than is the progressive reduction of inflation. Both are means to the end of economic growth.

In these matters, the markets rule. If the Treasury could find a combination of fiscal and monetary policies that would make economic recovery compatible with the present exchange rate, then Mr Major can keep his promise on sterling. But to "defend" the pound with ever-higher interest rates and ever more severe deflation is counterproductive and economically destructive. Sweden has long offered sound object lessons in how not to run an economy. Europe must heed these lessons in what is now its hour of

TROOPS IN DANGER

acute economic need.

Britain is sending almost 2,000 British troops to Bosnia-Herzegovina just as the civil war has turned against all outsiders trying to provide food and relief for Sarajevo. The zone is more dangerous than any conventional war. The British are joining an enlarged "peace-keeping operation" whose size, mission, authority and lines of command have not yet been properly defined. The ostensible reason is to respond to the UN Security Council's resolution authorising "all necessary force" to protect the convoys of food and medicine winding their way over the mountains and through the roadblocks to Sarajevo. That resolution itself was an oblique response to the world outcry over the bestial conditions in detention camps which television so shockingly revealed.

The attacks on the UN forces have broken whatever taboo protected them. But no greater leeway has been given to them to protect themselves. They cannot return fire unless their own lives are directly threatened, and that may be too late. They could kill an innocent civilian in the dark if they feared he was about to attack them but cannot respond to a deadly mortar attack from the hills. Although the UN lays down strict rules of engagement, local commanders on the spot are certain to interpret them differently.

The UN has been outraged by the tactics of Muslim fighters who are targeting the forces which are trying to help Muslim civilians, presumably to induce even more outside intervention. France and Italy are demanding much greater protection for their men. But all the UN can do is send in more troops. Acting under the same restrictions, these can offer their fellow blue berets no greater cover, and only expose themselves

to similar attack. The UN troops will not begin to be safe until they can take control of all heavy weapons in the area. But this is a very

intervention in this civil war. The government clearly felt obliged to make its troops Europeans. Other countries are following suit, with similar reluctance. The Germans, who did so much to encourage Yugoslavia's partition, have yet to contribute.

The urgent task now is to co-ordinate

different function from the original mission. and will probably require a new security council mandate. The Serbs are unlikely to co-operate. Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, offered in London to let the UN supervise the weapons. His side has said that sort of thing before, to no effect. He did not say he would turn over control. He now accuses the UN of bias and may renege even on this promise. Since monitoring would be the first step to stopping the fighting around Sarajevo and implementing subsequent London undertakings, the enlarged peacekeeping force in Bosnia will now find it hard to carry out even this useful step.

Britain has long warned against creeping available in keeping with the UN resolutions it supported and out of solidarity with fellow

proper lines of command, nominally under the Egyptian UN commander in Bosnia; to obtain from the warring parties assurances that food convoys will be allowed through; and to allow the troops to defend themselves as vigorously as the UN rules allow. At present these troops are the classic tactical targets for madmen on both sides. They are sitting ducks. Britain is sending soldiers on what looks like a foolhardy venture for the sake of its international image. The UN must prepare itself to withdraw in good order the moment its cause becomes untenable. This business has all the makings of another

LONDON CLEAN UP

Squalid, rubbish-strewn pavements punctuated by overflowing litter bins and families of black sacks clustered outside restaurant doorways: this has become the accepted image of London's West End, one that appals tourists and shames Londoners. Yesterday the stereotype was reinforced by William Davis, chairman of the British Tourist Authority, in the foreword to his annual report. London's image, he said, "has become more than a little tired, even tarnished . . . A great deal more needs to be done to improve the quality of the London experience, including further efforts to combat litter."

Visitors to London this summer might not recognise his description. For quietly and almost unnoticed, the streets of London's West End have been swept free of detritus. The city which three years ago was considered too dirty by four-fifths of all foreign visitors has cleaned up its act, at least in the areas tramped by tourists. A survey by the Tidy Britain Group earlier this year found, much to everybody's surprise, that the streets of Westminster were second only to Berne in their cleanliness, beating Paris, Brussels,

Rome and Madrid. Westminster Council has made litterpicking a crusade. Its privatised service collects 212,000 tonnes of rubbish a year at a cost of £30 million. The black and gold rubbish bins now widely installed in the West End have given a more elegant air to the pavements and have encouraged people to drop their litter in a bin rather than on the street. This may have started a virtuous circle: the cleaner the streets become, the less

people will dirty them again. Would that other boroughs followed West-

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minster's example! The streets around the Tower of London, for instance, are notable for their lack of litter bins. Any tourist who strays outside Westminster, such as into the Camden part of Covent Garden, is likely to encounter the discarded sweet wrappers and junk-food cartons that swirl in the wind and wrap themselves round the ankles. If Westminster can do it - incidentally at a quarter of the cost per head of Paris's refuse collection — why not its neighbours?

Tourists also complain that London is expensive. This is still true, for Americans at least. Most things cost twice as much as back home, a function of the weak dollar, over which London restaurateurs have no control. When the pound was almost at parity with the dollar, London looked cheap. Now it is undeniably expensive, though low occupancy has led to widespread haggling for cut prices. But other aspects of the capital are cheap, including Tube and bus passes and the "urban gallery" of parks, gardens, streets and architecture.

It would be dangerous, however, to become complacent about London's attraction to foreigners. Residents hate congestion and poor public transport, but they have to put up with them. Tourists need not do so. They can decide where to go and when and one city can quickly eclipse another in its attractions. It is easy to be annoyed by tourists; they seem to get under Londoners' feet, clog up pavements and move at a different pace from locals. But they also contribute £4 ½ billion a year to the capital's economy, representing 4 per cent of its GDP. and support 200,000 jobs. London must strive to impress its tourists; it cannot afford

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Way forward after Ciskei massacre

From the Reverend Kathleen Richardson and the Reverend John Pritchard

Sir. One of those who narrowly escaped death in the Ciskei massacre (report, September 8) was the presiding bishop of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa, Dr Stanley Mogoba, vice-chairman of the National Peace Accord committee, an independent body set up by a wide range of groups including the South African government and the African National Congress. Along with other committee officials, Dr Mogoba was there in the hope of facilitating communications between the leaders of the demonstration and the Ciskei troops, but had to dive for cover as the bullets flew.

Dr Mogoba has called for the establishment of a joint peace-keeping force, including components from ANC's armed wing. Umkhonto we Sizwe, from the South Africa Defence Force and police, and from troops of the Transkei, Ciskei, Bophuthatswana and Venda (since, though their governments have no international recognition or credibility, the armies exist).

In effect he is calling for the creation now of the unified force which must in due course be set up by the elected postapartheid government. The force should be given a distinctive uniform and the power to intervene in every situation where there is unrest, which the South Africa forces have signally failed to do hitherto.

Dr Mogoba has appealed to all parties to use more moderate, less confrontational language, and instead to work together to find negotiated solutions. This is a brave voice in an inflammatory situation. We are greatly impressed by his personal and political courage and believe his proposal should be speedily implemented.

KATHLEEN RICHARDSON (President, Methodist Conference). I. R. PRITCHARD General Secretary, Methodist Church Overseas Division), 25 Marylebone Road, NW1.

Aid to Somalia

From the Director of Care

Sir, Andrew Hill ("Somalia's gunmen demand food as price for protection", September 8) writes that relief agencies working in Somalia sometimes allocate half a shipment of food to gummen hired to provide protection. This is nonsense.

Care is the agency running the port operation at Mogadishu. The first two consignments after the port re-opened in May, totalling 12,000 tonnes, were distributed by Care with a loss rate of only 8 per cent. I have just returned from spending several days in southern Somalia with the Care relief teams working there. Never before have I witnessed such extreme suffering.

We must renew our demands that the UN moves quickly to provide security by ensuring that enough troops are on the ground to facilitate free distribution to those most in need.

Yours faithfully.
JULIAN HOPKINS (Director),

36-38 Southampton Street, WC2. September 9.

Loyalty to the state

From Professor Brian Thomas

Sir, The problem of loyalty and the right to challenge the establishment posed by Mr F. Newton Parks (letter, September 5) can be resolved in part by distinguishing between the state, which is relatively permanent, and a government, which is temporary. Such distinction can be clearly made in Britain, where a permanent head of state co-exists with a temporary head of government.

State and monarchy have larger claims on our loyalties in so far as both are constitutional. The regimes listed by Mr Newton Parks collapsed principally because their monarchs and dictators exercised the executive power now seen as the preserve of representative government.

Yours faithfully, BRIAN THOMAS. Regent's College, Inner Circle, Regent's Park, NW1. September 8.

Off with their heads

From Mr Michael Brindle, QC

Sir, Your leader. "Georgian Hydra" (September 2), may be a masterly analysis of current Georgian politics, but your ancient history is more shaky. Jason, that heroic visitor to what is now Georgia, never met the Hydra, still less did he chop off its heads to win the Golden Fleece. It was Hercules who slew the Hydra at Lerna on the Greek mainland

What Jason did do. of course, was to sow the serpent's teeth, from which armed warriors sprang and attacked him. He solved this problem by making them fight each other.

Without spelling out the obvious parallels, it may be that there is, after all, some scope for comparison between Jason's plight and that of the valiant Mr Shevardnadze

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL BRINDLE. Fountain Court. Temple, EC4. September 2.

From Ms Maggie Paterson

Sir, Now that the possibility of an enfranchised black population looms, the South African government is finding the notion of genuine democ-

racy increasingly uncomfortable. The African National Congress has proposed a proportional representa-tion voting system with a two-thirds majority required for constitutional decisions; yet suddenly, for Mr de Klerk, this becomes "simple majority rule" against which "power sharing and "federalism" are the reasonable and manire solutions.

To describe the ANC as a "radical centralising elite", as your correspondent, R. W. Johnson ("The danger of majority rule", September 4) and the South Africa government both do, indicates a tenuous grasp of reality. The ANC wants a mixed economy and multi-partyism: "radical" presum-ably means the desire to address

questions of structural poverty and inequality, with which few would quarrel on grounds of moral justice. The highly centralised National party government, which has been guilty for five decades of gross economic mismanagement, corruption and human rights violations, now seeks a "special democracy" in which it can retain power and wealth through constitutional machinations designed

their own destiny.

That choice is precisely what ordinary South Africans were trying to achieve at Bisho. Last Monday's horrifying massacre illustrates with painful clarity the de Klerk government's double agenda.

to prevent black South Africans from

making a democratic choice about

MAGGIE PATERSON (South Africa Desk Officer), Catholic Institute for International Relations, Unit 3, Canonbury Yard, 190a New North Road, Islington, N1.

Organ transplants

From Mr C. Christie

September 8.

Sir, The argument that because of a shortage of donors consent should be "presumed" must be resisted (letters, eptember 4). No one except the individual concerned or his immediate relatives has any right to decide what shall happen to his body after death.

Apart from ethical considerations the practical obstacles to an "opt-out" system are enormous. It would be too easy for a person's opt-out to be 'untraceable" in an urgent case.

Whilst I carry a donor card myself I shall oppose any scheme attempting to bureaucrat or, worse, to any other party with vested interests.

Yours. C. CHRISTIE, 32 Flora Avenue, Darlington, Co Durham. September 4.

From Mrs Caroline Thomson

Sir, One way which Mr Roger Williams, Director of the Institute of Liver Studies, (letter, September 4) might consider as a means of improving organ donation would be the production of a clear and factual video for circulation among all middle and

secondary schools.
Children are so clear-sighted and direct that if only they were able to see for themselves the new lease of life given, literally, to patients of all ages, they would surely not only carry their own donor cards but would encourage their parents and relations to follow

Yours faithfully, CAROLINE THOMSON, Pednor Close, Pednor, Nr Chesham, Buckinghamshire. September 4.

Stuck for a song From Mr Henry Knapman

Sir, I understand the problems in searching for a traditional English song (letters, August 31, September 5). Some friends and I were recently in New Zealand. In our attempts to infuse ourselves with the local culture, we stayed a night on a marae, the

homestead of the local Maori people. The Powhiri welcoming ceremony involved first the hosts and then their English guests giving a series of speeches, each followed by a traditional song.

Unable to decide on any hymn or truly English song to which everybody knew the words, we had to reply to the hosts' centuries-old love ballads and quite daunting war songs with "Row, Row, Row your Boat", "Old Mac-Donald Had a Farm" and (taking the true spirit of 1992 to the Antipodes) "Frère Jacques", first in French, then English.

Yours sincerely, HENRY KNAPMAN, 6 Carlyle Square, SW3.

From Mrs Janet Atkins

Sir, I recently attended a summer school at a Hungarian university where we were all given a book of folk sones and taught to sing some of them. What has happened to "Early One Morning", "The Bells of Aberdovey", "Green Grow the Rushesho!" and "My Bonnie Lies over the

Climate change and species' survival

From Professor R. J. Berry

Sir. You call upon the government (leading article. September 1) to arrange for co-ordination of research on changes in the distribution of animals and plants as a more costeffective way than megacomputer models towards understanding the possible consequences of dimate change on biodiversity. I hope your plea is heard.

In 1988, I chaired an enquiry for the Linnean Society into the organisation of biological recording in Britain. In taking on the job. I expected it would be largely a public relations exercise, and that my working party would describe a system which could be an exemplar to other

In fact we found a state of disorganised dedication, with little clear interpretation emerging for planners or politicians. We recommended a national co-ordinating commission. After wide consultation, this was

accepted by the Natural Environment Research Council, and such a group has been set up under Sir John Burnet. At the same time, NERC revised and improved its own facilities; many of the data in your recent articles on biological changes in Britain (August 8, 13, 17, 24, 31) were collected or collated by NERC scientists.

However, the Burnet commission has yet to prove that Britain has the will to turn recording passion into effective monitoring, and the situation has been complicated by the break-up of the Nature Conservancy Council. Implementation of recommendations of the House of Lords report on taxonomy would help; but an essential starting point must be greater urgency and priority for the support of (in your words) the "extraordinary network of amateur but highly-skilled observers of wildlife which can be mobilised for

The prime minister's Darwin initiative is intended for the world; we must not forget that, while Darwin himself learnt much from his travels, his ideas were matured and tested in the English countryside.

SAM BERRY. University College London, Department of Biology. Medawar Building, Gower Street, WC1 September 2.

From Miss Texas Robertson

Sir, Michael McCarthy's series of. articles was timely, as was his conclusion that the government should support a nationwide programme to monitor changes in species behaviour. The next step will be to identify the impact of these changes. Do they threaten the survival of the species? If what needs to be done to limit climate changes so that species can survive?

The objective of the International Climate Change Convention, signed at the Earth Summit in June, is to limit dimate change to levels which will allow ecosystems to adapt naturally. These levels have yet to be determined

conclusively, but the Stockholm Environment Institute states that a temperature increase of more than 0.10C would be enough to endanger vulnerable ecosystems, such as coral

reefs and mangroves. Since latest estimates suggest we are already committed to a temperature rise of 0.3°C per decade, achieving the ICCC's objective will require massive reductions in the pollutants which

cause greenhouse effect. In February WWF published examples of world-wide habitats and wildlife already suffering from climate change. Much more scientific work is needed to pin down exactly what rate of change will be tolerated by nature. Unless that research continues ur-

gently, so that definite results become indisputable facts, politicians will not take action - much to their shame.

TESSA ROBERTSON (Pollution and Energy Officer), World Wide Fund for Nature, Panda House, Weyside Park, Catteshall Lane, Godalming, Surrey. September 3.

From Mr Alwyne Wheeler

Sir, I would not wish to detract from your encouragement of the government to fund biological studies into the effects of climatic change, but I question some of the assertions made in Michael McCarthy's report of August 24 and repeated in your

leading article. The basking shark and sea horse are both said to have increased in numbers possibly as a result of climatic change. However, in the late 1940s Gavin Maxwell was commercially fishing basking sharks in the Minches, and another fishery existed off Co Mayo. Sea horses have occurred from time to time, even in the southern North Sea, since the 1860s. They seem to be no more common today than in

Only the trigger-fish seems to have increased in numbers in the past ten

The evidence from fishes is very inconclusive as some southern species, such as Ray's bream, were caught in much greater numbers in the 1970s than they are today.

Yours faithfully, ALWYNE WHEELER. 14 Theydon Park Road, Theydon Bois, Essex. September 4.

From Mr John L. Campbell, FRSE

Sir. For the first time since 1947, the Clouded Yellow butterfly has appeared on this island, where I have been observing insect migration for a good many years. It was first seen on May usually in two particular places, in one of which a breeding pair was found on August 19. The last sighting was on

Yours faithfully. JOHN L CAMPBELL Canna House, Isle of Canna. Inner Hebrides.

Memento mori

From Mr C. H. Rolph

Sir, When I was a small boy, all the grown-ups seemed agreed that the good die young. Now that, alas, I'm 91, and study your obinuaries each morning in the process of deciding whether it's all right to get up, I find that most of the nonagenarians are people I've never heard of.

Can this mean (I hope not) that my age is something to be ashamed of, as well as being (in about equal proportions) frightened and gratified about

Sincerely. C. H. ROLPH, 33 Hitherwood, Cranleigh, Surrey. September 7.

Ocean"? I suppose they are oldfashioned for today's child, besieged by a pop culture which eschews gentieness and melody.

Yours faithfully, JANET ATKINS. Cross House, Whittington, Carnforth, Lancashire.

From Mr Rowland Hill

Ilkey, West Yorkshire.

Sir, Will anyone who can't sing "On likiey Moor Baht 'at" please return home from Greece immediately? Yours sincerely, W. R. HILL, Stubham Rise, Myddleton,

From Miss Maureen Keaveney Sir. "You'll Never Walk Alone" seems by now to have assumed the dimensions of a traditional English song.

Yours faithfully, M. A. KEAVENEY, 39 York Road, Brentford, Middlesex.

From Mr Alan Saggerson

Sir. A group of Meo hill-tribe villagers near Chiang Mai in northern Thai-land was left open-mouthed (in admiration) after a particularly boisterous rendition of "Ring-a-ring-aroses".

Yours faithfully, ALAN SAGGERSON, 204 Alexandra Park Road, Muswell Hill, N22.

Chinese dissidents

From the Chairman of the Refugee Council

Sir, You report today (September 9) on the application by two Chinese dissidents, Chen Yu and Lin Lin, for a judicial review by the Hong Kong High Court of the decision to deport them from the colony. This case is one of grave concern to the Refugee

Chen Yu is a journalist and poet who played a leading role in the prodemocracy movement in China while Lin Lin, a supporter of the prodemocracy movement, has provided Chen Yu with a hiding place. Human rights violations continue in China and there have been reports of new actions being taken against pro-democracy activists.

The two women would be at serious risk if returned to China. I earnestly hope that the foreign secretary and the Hong Kong authorities will not send them to an uncertain fate and that they will be given protection, either in Hong Kong or in another safe country.

Yours sincerely, CLINTON-DAVIS, Chairman, The Refugee Council. 3 Bondway, SW8. September 9.

Pride in pluralism From Squadron Leader W. B. Wells,

RAF (retd)

Sir, You will find what I consider the ultimate example of pluralism, al-though not ecclesiastical (letters, August 25, September 1, 7), in The Times of January 28, 1985, where the following item was reported under Appointments in the Forces: "Group Captain (Acting Air Commodore): B T Sills as Director Rest of the World, Jan 2."

Yours faithfully, W. B. WELLS, 4 Claypole Drive, Northborough, Peterborough, Cambridgeshire. September 7.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE September 10: The Princess Royal evening departed from Gatwick Airport for a visit to India and was received at the Airport by His Excellency the Indian High

Commissioner (Dr L.M. Singhvi). Mrs David Bowes Lyon and Lieutenant Colonel Peter Gibbs arc in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE September 10: The Princess of

Wales, Patron, Turning Point, opened the Griffin Project at Earls Court. London SW5. Mr Patrick Jephson was in

KENSINGTON PALACE September 10: The Duke of Gloucester, President, the British Consultants Bureau, this morning opened the "Vietnam - Asia's Next Tiger" Conference at the Headquarters of the Confedera-tion of British Industry, Centre Point, 103 New Oxford Street, London WC1.

In the afternoon The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the Order of St John, opened the St John Ambulance Buckingham-

Royal Commission

The following awards are an-

M. Graves, Transfer Technol-

ogy Group plc and University of Wales College of Cardiff,

Development of a real time ra-

diographic inspection tech-

nique for quality control in the

food industry; D.S. Hall,

CMB Packaging Technology plc and Oxford Polytechnic,

Adhesion between metals and

polymers for packaging materials: D.J. Marples, GPT Lim-

ited and Strathclyde University. The intelligent net-

work paradigm extended to

private communication systems; D.M. Patel, Mott Mac-

Donald Water and Land Development Ltd and Queen

Mary and Westfield College,

London. Development of a

three dimensional algal trans-

port model: A. Pember, Brit-ish Aerospace plc and

Southampton University, The

development and application

of thin film processes and tech-

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ial College, University College, London: G. Lockton, Brunel University, Royal College of Art/Imperial College; O.

Price, Cambridge University.

Royal College of Art/Imperial College; C. Watson, South-

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Research Fellowships Miss H.H. Fielding, Oxford University, Physical Chemistry, at

Amsterdam University: K.W.R. Gilkes, Cambridge University, Physics, at Cambridge University; A.M. Goodwillie, Oxford University.

University, USA: Dr J.S. Haviland, Exeter University, Inhomogeneous Combustion Theory, at Exeter University; Dr J.

G. McLaughlin, Montana State

University, USA. Applied

Mathematics, at Newcastle University, Dr A. Zingoni, Imper-

ial College, Structural Analysis, at Imperial College,

state accelerometer.

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Road, Aylesbury. The Duke of Gloucester was

received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Buckinghamshire

(Commander the Hon John Fre-

mantle), Major Nicholas Barne

September 10: The Duke of Kent,

President of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, this morning

opened West Mersea Boathous

YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE

Birthdays today Professor Norman Ashton pathologist, 79; Mr Franz Beckenbauer, football manager, 47; Sir Austin Bide, former chairman, Glaxo Holdings, 77; Mrs Justice Booth, 59; Mr Paul Cole, racehorse trainer, 51; Sir Bernard eilden, architect, 73; Mr E.A.J George, deputy governor, Bank of England, 54: Lord Gibson-Watt,

trainer, 48; the Earl of Leicester, 83; Mr Richard Linley, jockey, 38; Lord Marlesford, 61; Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, MP, 63; the Hon Jessica, Mitford, author, 75; Mr Barry Sheene, motorcycling cham-pion, 42; the Right Rev John Taylor, former Bishop of Winchester, 78; Mr Roger Uttley, rugby player, 43.

Memorial gathering Dr Davide Sala

A memorial gathering for Dr Davide Sala was held yesterday at Grosvenor House. The speakers were Miss Joyce Sala, daughter, the Ambassador of Israel, Lord Jakobovits, Lord Young of Graffham, the Hon Greville Janner, QC, MP, Mr Shlomo Hillel, Mr Love Eliav, Dr Avishay Braverman, Mr Kenneth Marks, Mr William D. Kent and Rabbi Dr Abraham Levy.

A.E. Cooper, Loughborough University, Teesside Univer-sity; C.D.S. Haiselden, Imper-will end on December 18 Term began on September 9 and school's 150th Anniversary will be concluded with a celebration game concluded with a celebration game of rugby football on September 13 (kick-off 1.30pm). The Community Orchestra will give a Charity Concert in the Blackheath Halls at 7.30pm on September 26. The Recruiting Officer will be performed on December 9-11 and Nove's Fludde on December 14-15. The Ethamians Winter Performed 15. The Elthamians' Winter Re-union is scheduled for December following day.

The John Fisher School

Term began at The John Fisher School on Monday, September 7. Benjamin Liddiard is Captain of School and Edward Mensah Cap-tain of Rugby. The Head Master, Mr T.J. King, retires at the end of term and will be succeeded by Mr R. Gregory. MA, from January 1.



Stepping back in time: walkers try out the newly restored lcknield Way, reputed to be the oldest road in Britain, before its official opening today in Balsham, Cambridgeshire. Running between Ivinghoe Beacon, Buckinghamshire and Knettishall, Suffolk, the path was part of a neolithic route

Church news

The Rev Andrew Thomson, Rector of St Paul's, Mariborough, Di-

Priest-in-Charge of North and South Creake w. Waterden; East,

North and West Barsham and

Sculthorpe (Norwich)
The Rev Peter Vargeson, Curate,

Yateley: to be vicar, Yateley (Winchester)

The Rev David Williams, Vicar,

Horndon-on-the-Hill and Rural

Dean of Thurrock to be Priest-in-Charge of Rochford (Chelmistord)

Resignations and Retirements'

The Rev Dennis Brown, Vicar,

East w. West Wellow (Winchester):

to retire as from Easter 1993
The Rev Michael Burley, Assistant
Curate, Scarborough St Mary w.
Christ Church and The Holy

Apostles (York): to resign as from

The Rev Canon Brian Cordingley,

Vicar, All Saints', Hamer (Manchester): resigned August 18 Captain David Neave, CA, Pas-

toral Assistant at Sutton, St Mich-

ael (York): to retire with effect from

Bi RTHS: Pierre de Ronsard, poet,

Vendôme, 1524/25; James Thomson, poet, author of The Seasons, Ednam. Roxburgh. 1700; Thomas Barnes, Editor of The Times 1817-41, London, 1785; O.

Henry (pseudonym of William Sydney Porier), short story writer, Greenboro, North Carolina, 1862:

Sir James Jeans, mathematician and astronomer, London, 1877; D

H Lawrence, novelist, Eastwood,

DBATHS: David Ricardo, econo-

mist, Garcombe Park, Gloucs, 1823; Antero de Quennal, poet, Porta Delgardo, Azores, 1891; Mohammed Ali Jinnah, first gov-ernor-general of Pakistan 1947-48, Karachi, 1948; Jan Christian

Smuts, field marshal, prime min-ister of South Africa 1919-24, 1939-48, near Pretoria, 1950: Nikita Khrushchev, premier of

USSR 1958-64, Moscow. 1971: Salvador Aliende, president of Chile 1970-73, killed during a military coup. Santiago, 1973.

Notts, 1885.

Anniversaries

ocese of Harare, Zimbab

Next Archdeacon of Ludlow

The Rev Preb John Saxbee. Director of Training in the diocese of Exeter, Joint Director of the South West Ministry Training Course and Prebendary of Exeter Cathe-dral (Exeter): to be Archdeacon of Ludlow (Hereford) succeeding the Ven John Lewis and also Prebendary of Hereford Cathedral and Priest-in-Charge of Wistanstow Holy Trinity w. Cwm Head St Michael and St Margaret, Acton

The Rev Philip Dobson (Sheffield) to be Assistant Curate at Cove (Guildford) The Rev David Evans, Assistant

Curate St Mary, Somers Town: to be Priest-in-Charge, Holy Innocents, Hornsey (London)
The Rev Stuart Evason, Team Vicar, St Michael Eastrington and St Peter Laxton, Howden Team Ministry (York): to be vicer, St James, Heywood (Manchester)
The Rev Lawrence Featham. Team Vicar. Holy Trinity, Old-ham: to be Vicar, St James. Ashton-under-Lyne (Manchester)
The Rev Anthony Miller, Rectory,
Wrockwardine Wood: to be also

Officiating Chaplain to HM
Forces, Donnington (Lichfield)
The Rev Christopher Newell,
Assistant Chaplain, The Royal
London Hospital, Whitechapel (London): to be Rector, St Agnes, Birch in Rusholme (Manchester). The Rev Charles Razzall, Team Vicar and part-time UPA Officer, St Andrew. Oktham: to be Team Vicar, Holy Trimity Oldham and also Area Dean of Oldham (Manchester).

(Manchester)
The Rev James Read. Curate, Holy
Trinity w. St Alban and St Paul.
Smethwick (Birmingham): to be
Team Vicar, St Philips, Atherton Team (Marchester)
The Rev Michael Robinson, Vicar. St Stephen, Astley: to be Rector, St

St Stephen, Astley, to be Rector, St Paul, Blackley (Manchester)
The Rev Timothy Russ, Director, St Marylebone Healing and Counselling Centre, London: to be Priest-in-Charge of St Dennis and Parish Development Adviser for the Diocese of Truro (Truro)
The Rev James Stewart, Assistant Curate at Cove to be Team Vicar at Cove (Guildford)

DEATHS

Memorial service

Mas Elizabeth David A memorial service for Mrs Eliza-beth David was held yesterday at St Martin-in-the-Fields. Canon Geoffrey Brown officiated, assisted by the Right Rev Edward Roberts. Elizabeth David's French Provincial Cooking and Miss Jill Nor-man from Syllabubs and Fruit Fools. Mr Hugh Johnson, Miss Sally Clarke. Miss Alice Waters. Mr Gerald Asher and Mr Leslie French gave addresses. Among others present were:

Mrs Priscilla Longiand (sister). Mr Stephen Grey, Mr Johnny Grey, Mr and Mrs Rupert Grey, Mrs Sabrina Harcourt-Smith, Edward Harcourt-Smith, William Harcourt-Smith, Alexander Harcourt-Smith, Mr and Mts C Caffyn.

Lady Arabella Boxer, the Hon Mary Hogg, QC, Sir Geoffrey Ford, Lady Burrows, Lady Contran, Miss Anne Scott-James. Mr Anton Mosimann, Mr Martin Lam, Mr Simon Hopkinson, Dr and Mrs Alan Maryon Davis, Mr and Mrs Franco Taruschio, Mrs Hugh Johnson, Mr and Mrs James Boyes, Mr and Mrs Alan Davidson, Mr Julian Jeffs, Mr Paul Levy, Miss Jancis Robinson, Mr Ned Sherrin, Miss Sophie Grigson, Mrs Sybille Bedford, Mr Paul Bailey, Mr J Kasmin.

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Rae, Mr Keith Day, Mr Gordon Taylor,
Miss Sibella Baher Wilbrahm. Mrs
Bernina Hawkings, Mrs Humphrey
Broom, Miss Ivans Glichrist. Mr John
Hopkins, Mr Piers Russell-Cobb, Mr
and Mrs Panrick Matthews, Drand Mrs
P E Thompson Hancock, Mr Peter
Trier, Mr and Mrs Stephen Trier, Mr
Med Trier, Mr John Manuell, Hri Jane
Kasmin, Mrs Edward Roberts, Mrs Jo
Altman, Mrs Pitrabeth Carwe-Hunt.
Mrs Prances Bisyell (The Times), Miss

Altman, Min Elinabeth Carew-Hunt.

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Marriages

Mr.J.M. Arroyo and Miss K. Ford

The marriage took place on August 22, at St Cuthberts Church, Great Glen, Leicestershire, between James Arroyo and Kerry Ford.

Mr R.N. Asiak and Miss J.E. Start The marriage took place on Sat-urday, September 5, at St Law-rence Church, Chobham, Surrey. of Mr Richard Neil Ashley, son of Mr and Mrs Neil Ashley, of Burcot Grange, Oxfordshire, to Miss Jo-anna Elizabeth Start, daughter of Mr Andrew Sturt, of the Old Rectory, Hascombe and Mrs Su-san Sturt, of Burnt Barn,

Chobham. The Rev Christopher MacKerma officiared The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Susan Knott, Miss Virginia.

Podd and Victoria Sturt. Mr Miles Ashley was best man. The reception was held at Brook Place and the honeyrooon is being

spent in Italy. Mr M. Moreno and Miss M. Burridge

Mr R. Fayed and Miss T. Burridge The double marriage took place at Worth Abbey, Sussex, on September 5, 1992, between Miguel

Moreso and Moira Burridge, and Ryan Fayed and Terrie Burridge. The ceremony was officiated by Dom Bede Hill and Dom Michael Mr R.L. Tufpell

and Miles F.R. Birtical The marriage took place on Sat-urday, September 5, at St Marys, Alderley, of Mr Richard Tufnell to Miss Ruth Birkett. The Rev Peter Roberts officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother. Mr Robert Birkett, and was attended by Diana Birkett, Zara Humphreys, John and Richard Birkett, Jonah and Touno, Brody. Mr Matthew Mah-land and Mr Alexander Wilmerding were best men. Mr M.B.B. Wood

and Miss A.V.J. Elter and Miss A.V.J. baser
The mannage took place on Saturday, September 5, at St Mary's
Church, High Halden, of Mr
Manhew Wood, eldest son of Mr
J.B. Wood and Mrs C.R. Howard,

to Annahei, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jeffrey Eker. The Rev Simon

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Saskia Meijer, Hannah Martinez and Holly Webley. Mr Richard Lund was best man. A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent in Italy.

Mr J. Whiffen

and Mrs V. Wellings The marriage took place on September 8, at Bath Register Office, between Mr John Whiffen, of Ashington Farm, Wimborne, Lintine).

Latest wills

Sir Denis Charles Barnes, of Wittersham, Kent, first chairman of the Manpower Services Com-mission, left estate valued at \$55.624 mg. £55.634 net. Other estates include (net, before

tax paid): Brigadier Michael Richard Lavie Robinson, of Shipton under Wychwood, Oxfordshire(\$98.121.

Mr Reuben Bernard Shotnes, of Bromley, Kent...... £831,185 Mr Thomas George Woodburn, of Woldingham, Surrey £911,975

Retirements

Judge Rubin retired yesterday from the Circuit Bench on the South Eastern Circuit. Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice of Appeal on September 30.

Service luncheon Royal Regiment of Fusiliers World War I veterans of The Royal Fusiliers were among those entertained at luncheoff yesterday at the City of London Headquarters. The

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.A. Berry and Miss C.E. Morgan The engagement is announced between David Anthony, only son of Mrs L.L. Ryder and the late Mr S.A. Berry, of Chessington, Surrey. and Christine Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mrs Joy Morgan and the late Mr Rex Morgan, of Cheam, Surrey.

Mr C.J. Bound and Miss S.C. Clarke The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs David Bound, of Shepperton, Middlesex, and Sylvia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs
Donald Clarke, of Worcester, Hereford and Worcestershire.

Mr AJ. Brecher and Miss S.G. Ferdeman

The engagement is announced between Andrew Justin. son of Mr and Mrs David Brecher, of Hampstead. London, and Susanne Gillian, daughter of Mr and Mrs Leonard Ferdeman, of Finchley, London.

Mr J.D.R. Darby and Miss A.M. Uradford The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and Mrs John Darby, of Headley, Hampshire, and Annabella, daughter of Mr Anthony Bradford of Lisbon, Portugal, and the Hon Mrs William Ward, of Pulham, London, SW6.

Mr N. Diffey Mr N. Diricy
and Miss H. Leung
The engagement is announced
between Neville, second son of Mr
and Mrs C.R. Diffey, of Locks Heath. Hampshire, and Helma, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Y.H. Leung, of Hong Kong.

Captain J.M. Harris and Miss H.K. Sollist The engagement is announced between James Maxwell Harris, 9th/12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales's), son of Professor and Mrs John Harris, of Hereford, and Heidi Kjeldsen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Sollitt, of

Richmond's Green, Thanted, Mr D.S. Kurlin

and Miss A.J. Stephany The engagement is announced between David Simon, youngest son of the late Dr Eli Karlin and of Mrs Miriam Henderson, of Hambleden, Buckinghamshire. and Alison, younger daughter of the late Anthony Maurice Stephany and of Mrs Joan Stephany, of St Johns Wood. Mr R.W. Kenn

and Miss F.E. Paton The engagement is announced from Sydney, Australia, between Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs Maurice J. Kenn, of West Wickham, Kent. and Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Grant Paton, of Eynsham. Oxfordshire.

Mr P.M. Lewis and Dr C.J. Bucknall The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr John Lewis, of Berwick Court, East Sussex and Mrs Julia Cockell, of The Pink Cottage, West Kington, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr Brian Buckmail, of Woodcote. Oxfordshire,... and... Mrs Kate Bucknall, of Leaman Ruyton XI Towns, Shropshire.

Mr S.R. Mackaness and Miss M.E. Clough The engagement is announced between Shaun, elder son of Mr Barry Mackaness, of Icomb, Gloucestershire, and of Mrs Caro-line Mackaness, of Wensleydale, North Yorkshire, and Mary, youngest daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Robert Clough, of likey, West

Yorkshire. Captain J.R. Shafto and Miss A.R. Cochrane

The engagement is announced between Captain Jeremy Shafto, Army Air Corps, elder son of Major Robert Shafto, of London, SW11, and of Mrs Nicola Williamson, of Benh, Avon, and Amanda, elder daughter of Cap-tain (rerd) and Mrs Nicholas Coctraine, of Easthampstead Park,

Mr HJ.M. Shaw and Miss LJ. Farrant
The engagement is announced between Joe, only son of Mr
HJ.M. Shaw and of the late Mrs A.P. Shaw and of the late Mrs
A.P. Shaw, of Bruton, Somerset,
and Lindsey, only daughter of Mr
and Mrs L.T. Farrant, of
Sidmouth, Devon.

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The message of the cross is sheer folly to those on the way to destruction, but to us, who are on the way to salvation, it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:18 RES

BIRTHS SATTERSBY - On August 23rd to Julia and William, a daughter Honnah, a sister for Madeleine

BROWN - On September 1st, 1992 to Nicky thee Bostory and Jonathan, a daughter, Hermione Violet, a sister for Virginia, Nina and George. September 8th to Sarah unde Laws) and Frederick, a daughter, Victoria Elizabeth CROZIER - On August 11th. to Marthew and Alexandra Whyte, sister for Mollie - Anna Beth Maurna.

D'ALBERTSON - On August 29th, at Hereford, to Judith thee Young and Paul, a son. William Douglas Gerard. D'ARCY - On August 28th, to Vanessa (née Kinsey) and Nicholas, a daughter, Venetia Alice, a sister for Oliver. JEWELL - On September 7th. to Allson (nee Schute) and Nicholas, a son, Edmund Alexander, a brother for

NEED - On September 5th 1992. at the Royal Free Hospital, to Philippa Jame. a daughier, Charlotte Victoria. a sister for Georgia Scariett. SHEPHERD - On September 9th. to Joy (nee Slebbing) and Nigel, a son, Bartholo-mow Michael Kean. a brother for Elinor and Fleur. SHIELDS - On September 9th, at Derby City Hospital, to Alice (nee Michell) and Robert, a son, David. BUTHERLAND-HAWES -On September 8th, to Calriona thee McLean) and Harry, a daughter, Charlotte Anne, a sister to Alice.

MARRIAGES GENFRYNS. SETTCHELL - On September Sth 1992, at The Mondra Wills Memorial Chapel. Bristol. Darnian, only soc of Mr & Mrs B.K. Griffiths, of Okd Basing, Hants and Juliel Care, younger daughter of Professor & Mrs J. Mitchell. of Coombe Dinale. Bristol.

DEATHS September 9th 1992 after a very brief illness. Thomas, toving husband of Kathleen, father of Paul. John. Mike and Francesca. much loved by his 19 grandchildren and his great grandchild. Risulem Mass at the Church of the Sacred Heart. Mill Hill Broadway. NWT on Wednesser.

of the Sacred Heart, Mai Hail Broadway, NW7 on Wednesday September 10th at 11.30 am. R.L.P. Family, nowers only please, but if desired, donations to his memory to The Handicapped Children's Plfortuner Trust, 100A High Street, Banstead. Surrey 1007 2ND.

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BIETON - On Sentember 4th
1992, peacefully at his home,
Maurice Burton, D.Sc. in his
95th year. Much loved and
missed by all his family and
friends. Private cremation.
Memorial celebration will be
announced later No flowers
please, donations would be
welcome for the National
Garden Scheme Charitable
Trust and may be forwarded
to Sherlock and Sons, Trellis
House, Doriding, Tel: 0306
882266.

CLEGG - On Monday September 7th, peacefully in Blackpool, spec 69. Dorle much loved wife of Eric and mother of Julian. Jeremy and Adrian. Cremation held privately on September 10th. Donations if wished to Cancer Research.

CONNELLY - On Wednesday September 9th, al Leigh-qu-Sea, Essex. Donald much loved father of Nicholas. Daniel and Leanne. Funeral service and Cremation on Tuesday September 18th, at Southead Crematorium at 12.15 pm. No flowers by request. but donations, if desired would be appreciated for Fairhaven Hospice. c/o 126 Chalikwell Ave, WestciilT-on-Sea, Essex.

CORBY - On September 9th 1992, peacefully after a long illness suffered with great courage and dignity. W.M.H. (Monty) Corby aged 80 years of Stammore. Middlesex. Beloved husband of Muriel and father of Mike and Pat. Memorial Service at Wiggonholl Church. Nr. Putborough. West Stassex, on Monday September 14th at 3.30 pm. All flowers and enquiries to H.D.Tribe LTD. 130 Broadwater Rd. Worling. Tet: (0903) 234516.

Lesile Half Downs C.B.E.,
M.A., Hon. OSc. at home in
Hutton-le-Hole. N. Yorkshire.
greatly loved by his wire kay
and his daughters Angela
Crouch. Gaynor Kingdon,
Philippa Galloway and their
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FANE - On September 9th 1992, at home peacefully Edith Mariorie (Chip), widow of J Onslow Pane (Pop), Foreral Estangements to be

FROST - On September 8th.

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father of William, father-inisw of Anne, grandfather of
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will be held in St. Baldreds
Church, North Berwick on
Monday 14th September at
2.30 pm. interment there
after in North Berwick
Cemetry at 3.00 pm. Family
flowers only, but donations
to Arthritis and Rheumathan
Council.

HARRISON - On September 9th, peacefully at home in Oxford. Richard Martia, beloved husband of Ettasbeth and much loved father of Emily, Lury, James and Mary, Memorial service to be appropriate.

HART - On September 9th, at St. Georges Hospital Milfordon-Sea. Hants. Dr. Lesite Ralph Hart (affectionalety known as Tadger) in his 97th year, beloved husband of the late Madeline and a much loved uncle and friend to many. Funeral Service at St. Thomas Church. Lymington on Friday September 18th at 1 pm. followed by interment. Family flowers only please. Enquires to Diamond & Son FD. Tel-0590 672060.

MUCKS - On September 10th 1992, peacefully in her own home Aline Perronet aged 80 years. Beloved wife of Cooffrey for 55 years. Much loved mother of Sylvia. John and Janet and grandmother. Funeral service at 8t Marytebane Crematorium, East End Road. N2 on Thursday, September 17th, at Moon.

ICHIGSLEY On September 10th 1992. Sidney Kingsley, M.B.E... peacefully in hospital. Funeral service of 12 noon on Sunday September 13th, at Ooders Green Cranastorium.

DEATHS KASSAB - On September 9th 1992, after a brave fight. Linan, late of The Wyotts, Wyalts Green. Brentwood. The dearty belowed wife of Riadh Kassab, the dearty loved mother of Daniel and Vic. Funeral Service to labe place on Friday September 18th at St. Edmund's, lagalestone at 11.30 am, followed by corunital at Chalmaford Cornalization at 12.30 pm. Pamily flowers only, donations if destred to The Maryden Cancer Campaign. C/o Beanets (Brentwood) Lid. 120 High S. Bruttwood. PERRY On Tuesday
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Surman & Horwood Funeral
Service, 25 High Street,
Princes Risborough, HP27
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LA COSTE - On September 9th, 1992, at Charing Cross Hospital, Julia Betty, aged 78 years, much loved mother of Charles, Edward and Janie, and much loved singer of Joan. She will be sadly mused by her family and her many friends, Requiem maps at the Church of our Moot Holy Redeemer and Strondon SW3 at 11.00 arp on Thursday September 17th, All crinishes to A. France & Son. Tel: 071 306 4901.

MACCAGINO - On September 4th, suddenly, Elizabeth under Wilsont, much loved mother, grandmother and friend. She will be sadly milesed by all who lizew her.

MUCKLETHWAIT On Tuesday, September 8th 1992, suddenly but peace-raily at home. Sir Robert Gore Micklethwait QC. aged 89. Dearty loved husband of Philippa, and father of Toby. Daphne. Peter and Brian. grandfather of Rosalmd. Seaanns and Julian. There will be a private Cremation rismily only). Enguirles to F.Harrison and Son. 0784 432163.

POWELL - On September 8th
- The Nativity of the Blessed
Virgin - at Bedford Hospital,
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PERSONAL APPEARS IN LIFE & TIMES

DEATHS TILLEY - On Thursday
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Hospital Reading, Arthur
Frederick aged 74 years,
Dearly beloved husband of
Duscie, father of Sue and
Grandpapper of Torn.
Funeral to take place at
Reading Crematorium on
Tuesday Sustender 16th
1992 at 3pm. Flowers or
donations if desired for the
Marguerite Cancer Fund
may be sent C/O Cyril
Lovegrove Funeral Directors. 68 Briants Avenue.
Caversham. Reading. Becks. WALTER - On September 9th. in Springfield Manor Nursing Home, near Cutiliford. Dr. William James Watter, formerly of Exeter, Devon and Hastemere, Surrey, Fumeral September 17th at The Park Crematorium. Aldershot at 2.30 pm. WHYTE - On September 7th
1992. suddenly. Canon
Robert A. Whyte sped 79
years. until recently Vicar of
St. Luke's Church. Tunbridge Weils. Funeral
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All flowers or If desired
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DEATHS MEMORIAL SERVICES HORPE - A Memorial Service for Ursula Thorpe will take place on Monday September 28th at 3pm at St. Andrews Church, Limpsfield Charl, Nr. Oxted, Surrey. WILSON - On September 9th, al Amberly Manor Nursing Home. Hazlemere. Lester, widower of Kathleen and devoted stepfather of Patrick, Hubert and Patricke de Burgh. Funeral service al Guildford Crematorium on Friday September 18th at 11.30 am. LEGAL NOTICES IN THE MATTERS OF

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MEMORIAL SERVICES

WILSON - A Service of

Thanksgiving for the life and
work of John Wilson will be
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October 3rd at 5 pm. All who
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Answers from page 16 LETHE

(c) One of the six rivers of Hell, remembered by the hexametric mnemonic, With Lethe, Palegethon, Acheron, Cocytus, Avernus. Souls of the dead are obliged to drink the water of Lethe, so that they forget everything said and done when alive. Pope, Dunciad: "Here, in a dusky vale where Lethe rolls/Old Bavius sits, to dip poetic souls,/And blunt the sense."

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REDINGOTE (a) A double-breasted outer coat for men, with long, plain skirts not cut away in the front, from the French attempt to pronounce riding-coat. "Napoleon, buttoned up in his legendary grey redingote and seated on a white horse, stands motionless on a small rich of ground." rise of ground."
KAKEMONO

(b) A Japanese wall-picture, painted on silk or paper, and mounted on rollers, so as to be rolled up and pot away when desired, from the Japanese kake to hang and mono thing: "The kakemonos are rolled and placed away with remarkable care." DAPIFER

(a) One who brings meat to table, bence the official tifile of the steward of a king's or nohleman's household, from the Latin days food and ferre to bear.

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OBITUARIES

WILLIAM HARRINGTON

William J. Harrington, a haematologist who made major discoveries about the basic mechanisms of blood disorders through experiments performed on himself, died at his home in Miami, Florida, on September 4 aged 68. He was born in Norwood, September 21, 1923.

IT WAS no ordinary pint of blood that William Harrington transfused into his own arm in 1950, while training as a haematology fellow at Washington University Medical School in St Louis, Missouri. The blood came from a patient suffering from a rare autoimmune disease known as ITP, or idiopathic thrombocytopenia purpura, in which the number of platelets in the blood drops to such a low level that victims can develop black and blue marks from the touch of a feather.

Harrington was trying to prove a theory: that the disease was caused by a factor within the blood itself, and not by a deficiency in the bone marrow which produces platelets. He chose a brave way to make his point. Almost immediately, his platelet count dropped drastically and black and blue marks formed on his skin. His superiors, fearing that he might suffer a stroke or other complications, rushed him to hospital straight away.
But within a week Harring-

ton's blood count returned to normal. His bone marrow was doing its job, and his body was able to overcome the episode. Building on the experiment, he and other researchers were able to prove that ITP was caused in part by antibodies produced against a normal

component of an individual's own platelets. ITP became the first documented autoimmune disease, and Harrington's research career was assured. In 1951, at the age of 28, he became the youngest person ever elected to the American Society of Clinical Investigation.

Harrington continued his research at Washington University and in 1954 became director of its division of haematology. He moved to the University of Miami School of Medicine in 1964. where he founded the Centre for Blood Diseases and developed treatments for sickle-cell anaemia. The centre was later named after him. For some 25 years Harring-ton worked to improve medi-

cal education in the countries of Latin America, and it was indicative of the range of his prowess that he held honorary appointments from medical chools in Chile, Brazil, Colombia, Panama, and the Dominican Republic. He also worked on disaster relief in underdeveloped countries, and was one of the first doctors to arrive on the scene after the Nicaraguan earthquake of 1972. Indirectly, it was a natural disaster that led to his death. Harrington was known as one of the few doctors in America who still made house calls, and rather than flee from Hurricane Andrew, he remained in Miami to care for his patients. His own home had been left without electricity or running water after the storm, and he died of undetermined causes while trying to repair an emergency

generator. William Harrington is survived by his wife, Mary, three sons and one daughter.

MERVYN JOHNS

Mervyn Johns, stage and film character actor, died on September 6 aged 93 at Denville Hall, the show business retirement home. He was born in Pembroke on February 18, 1899.

FOR much of his mature career Mervyn Johns suffered. like such contemporaries as Bobby Howes and even Michael Redgrave, from the "father of" syndrome. However distinguished his own performances, he tended always to be tagged as "father of Glynis Johns", who began to be noted when barely in her teens and had become at least a juvenile star by the early 1940s. They appeared together on several occasions early in her career and in the midst of his. notably in the film Halfway House. For Mervyn Johns it became uncomfortably clear which generation attracted more attention. Nonetheless, Mervyn Johns

could be a formidable actor

when given half a chance. He had always worked hard on his technique and, though by nature he seemed most suited to rather gentle, dreamy characters, he learned to be hard and incisive when required, and even proved able to portray domestic tyrants when the opportunity offered. Ironically, since he played a number of doctors, smooth or shady. during his acting career, he originally intended to practise medicine and began studying at the London Hospital. But he soon decided that he was not tough enough for the job and opted for acting instead. Although he won the Gold Medal and several other awards at RADA, it took him a long time to build up his confidence. After making his first appearance on the London stage in 1923, in a small role in The Elopement, he took himself off immediately to South Africa (where Glynis was born towards the end of the year), and spent most of the next decade tour-



Mervyn Johns as the evangelist in Diamond City

particular he had a long run at the Little Theatre, Bristol, where he directed as well as acted and continued to learn every aspect of his craft. He made his first film appearance in Lady in Danger in 1934, but otherwise remained in perhaps unwarranted obscuri-

ty until he was nearly 40. The 1940s were his great stage period. In 1939 he played Sir Patrick Cullen in The Doctor's Dilemma at the Westminster Theatre, and this proved to be the beginning of ing or playing leads (usually a particular association with Shaw, of which later fruits comedy) in provincial rep. In

were his Shotover in Heartbreak House (much praised) in 1943, and Doolittle, on the face of it a much more unlikely role for him, in 1947. He had another signal success taking over from Michael Redgrave as the Duke in Patrick Hamilton's curious drama The Duke in Darkness in 1942, and did well in another unlikely role as Jeeter Lester in the longrunning, and in its day scandalous, production of Tobacco

Most of his memorable film roles were also in the 1940s.

Road at the Playhouse in

He was in Hitchcock's last film before his departure for Hollywood, Jamaica Inn. and

held his own against the over-

the-top performance of

Charles Laughton.

He was in such distinguished war films as Thorold Dickinson's Next of Kin and Cavalcanti's Went the Day Well? Most memorable of all. he was in two of the British cinema's most stylish ghoststories. In Halfway House, he and Glynis starred as the other-worldly keepers of a mysterious inn. Even better was Dead of Night, Ealing's compendium of uncanny tales in which Johns played the unfortunate architect whose worst dreams become reality.

During the 1950s he did relatively little: nothing on the West End stage between 1952 and 1961, and very few films, the only one of interest being The Intimate Stranger, one of the first features Joseph Losey made in Britain when he was on the McCarthy blacklist. In 1961, however, Johns returned not only to the stage. but to the centre of all that was liveliest in the new British theatre, the Royal Court, with a substantial role in The Keep, subsequently transferred to

the Piccadilly.

But by this time he seemed somewhat disenchanted with Britain, and announced that he was going to settle with his wife in South Africa. When his wife died in 1970 he returned to Britain and was sometimes to be seen, but his heart hardly seemed to be in his work. He retired to the show business home at Denville Hall.

That was not quite the end. At Denville he met another resident, the actress Diana Churchill, then 12 years a widow and confined to a wheelchair with multiple scie rosis. Romance budded, and they were married in 1976. Not only that, but in 1977 they appeared together in an episode of The Avengers. It was to be Mervyn Johns's final

He is survived by his wife and by his daughter Glynis. MAY I add a word to your

APPRECIATIONS

Daniel Gorenstein

WAS saddened to read that Daniel Gorenstein had died. Your obituary notice on September I did full justice to a fine mathematician, but it left the somewhat misleading impression that the classification of the finite simple groups was achieved single-handedly by Gorenstein. Without wishing in any way to detract from his achievement. I believe it should be stressed that this project was a communal effort by many mathematicians, occupying some 10,000 pages and taking more than 20 years.

The starting point was the Feit-Thompson paper in 1963 which answered a question raised by Burnside more than 60 years earlier. Gorenstein's particular achievement in this field (in addition to his studies of specific simple groups) was the very clear and comprehensible exposition of the whole which he gave in the book you mention.

Before turning to groups he had worked in algebraic ge-ometry, where some of his results on plane curves are still used. Some six years later.



after hearing an inspiring course of lectures at Cornell University by a colleague (I. N. Herstein), he changed to group theory.

Galois's letter on the eve of his fatal duel was eight pages (not 60, which is the extent of his collected works). He was the founder or what is now called Galois theory (not of group theory, as you seem to

Michael Macdonald and

P. M. Cohn

Jeff Porcaro

FOLLOWING your oblusty of Jeff Porcaro (August 25) I would like to add that his enormous achievement as a session drummer should not be overlooked.

Porcaro's presence on countless records of great di-versity throughout the 1980s often prompted a musician friend and me to ask one another: "Guess who plays drums on this?" on acquiring another new American alburn. His ability to carry the flow and pace of a song without becoming intrusive ensured the success of landmark recordings "The Night Fly" by Donald Fagen, "If That's What it Takes" by

John Marsh

proscribed, by the

It was a shrewd and percep-

tive lesson. However, John's

unfailing and infectious sense

of humour always came to the

fore and gave us, and all his listeners, hope for the future

and a renewed sense of pro-

industry.

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obituary of John Marsh (Au-

Randy Newman's "Trouble In Paradise" - records which marked the very top of Rock musicianship and which influenced many that followed. Porcaro was extremely economical and fluent but retained that most elusive element of musicianship. "feel". He can be heard at his explosive best on Ivan Neville's overlooked "If My Ancestors Could See Me Now". 1 believe his last recording was "Human Touch" by Bruce Springsteen; a magnificent final work, I'm sure most drummers would agree. If you want to learn how to play drums, go listen to Jeff.

James Butler

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SIR EDWARD **SINGLETON**

Sir Edward Singleton, who was president of the Law Society in 1974-5 in its 150th anniversary year. died on September 6 aged 71. He was born on April 7, 1921.

AS A solicitor Edward Singleton specialised in construction industry work before becoming increasingly involved with international arbitration, an activity that was ideally axited to his incisive mind and his understanding of human na-



a ture. He served on various Law Society committees and in 1974 was made one of its

youngest ever presidents.

Known throughout his life as Tim. Edward Henry Sibbaid Singleton was the youngest son of W. P. Singleton He was educated at Shrewsbury School and went

Pavarotti is

back on song

Luciano Pavarotti was back on

a London stage for the first

time in more than a year yes-

terday, rehearsing for tomor-

up to Brasenose College, Oxford to read law, as betitted a nephew of Lord Justice Singleton.

War, however, had already begun and after one year at Oxford he joined the Fleet Air Arm and was on the first naval group that went to learn to fly in America some six months before Pearl Harbour. He spent most of the war flying Hurricanes and Seafires on operations or as an instructor in the Western Desert, the Mediterranean and the

After the war he returned to Oxford for one term to pass the necessary examinations to obtain his degree. He then entered into solicitor's articles and was admitted in July 1949. He practised initially with Richards Butler and then with Macfarlanes where he was a partner from 1953 to 1977. In 1977 he set up on his own and began developing his work with the construction industry and in international arbitration.
Although from the west of

England, Tim Singleton had a great love for his adopted country of Suffolk. He had a house at Aldeburgh for nearly 40 years and enjoyed nothing more than sailing, wildfow-ing and walking the marshes of the River Alde. Cricket was another enduring passion. He played for three years for Shrewsbury...

He is survived by his wife "Pegs", three sons and a

AIR MARSHAL SIR GEORGE JONES

Air Marshal Sir George Jones, KBE, CBE, CB, DFC, Australia's last surviving first world war ace and architect of his country's Pacific air defence in the second world war, died on Angust 24 aged 95. He was born in Rushworth, Victoria. on November 22, 1896.

GEORGE Jones took charge of Australia's ailing air force in its darkest hour in 1942. Singapore had failen. Darwin was under aerial bombardment and Japanese forces were poised to sweep south. With quiet confidence Jones fought for the equipment and personnel he needed to organise an air defence network stretching from the south Pacific island of Bougainville westwards to Borneo. From a starting point of 12 poorly equipped squadrons, the RAAF had, by the end of the war, 53 squadrons operating in the Pacific theatre which Jones firmly believed could defeat Japanese air forces alone.

Jones is thought to have been the very last second world war air force commander. A man of quiet humility, he came from a poor background, with little formal education. He worked his way through the ranks from a private, and went on to influence the development of the RAAF until the 1950s. He was the youngest of eight children and his father, an unsuccessful gold miner, died from a fall shortly after George was born. Leaving school at 14, he moved to Melbourne where he became a motor mechanic.

During the first world war Jones fought as a private in the Australian Imperial Forces' 9th Light Horse Regiment at



Gallipoli - the battle that is held to have first bound together Australia as a nation. After moving to No 13 Squadron of the Imperial Camel Corps, he joined No 1 Squadron of the fledging Australian Flying Corps where he qualified as a pilot. He ended the war, aged 22, as a captain with No 4 Squadron, having flown 113 missions and with seven kills.

Jones was awarded the DFC for shooting down two German planes over

France in one action. Despite being badly wounded in the back during an attack on German troops, he returned to action late in 1918 to record two further kills before the Armistice.

Following an attempt to settle down as a motor mechanic in Victoria, Jones returned to the RAAF in 1921 as a test and training pilot. He qualified at the RAF Staff College, Andover, but his urging to develop an Australian aviation industry in the years before the second world war was ignored.

In 1939 he fought another bureaucratic battle against RAF moves to redirect RAAF air crew to the European theatre. which Jones, then head of RAAF training, saw as weakening defences at home. His appointment as RAAF Chief of Air Staff in 1942 saw the beginning of the turnaround and the crucial decade of

His call for Australia to build its own aircraft was finally realised with the construction of the De Havilland Mosquitoes from 1943 and, later, Vampire jet fighters. He was made a CBE in 1942, a CB in 1943, and was knighted in 1953.

Before retiring in 1952, he had commanded the RAAF efforts in the

Berlin air lift, Malayan campaign and the Korean War. He also established the Empire Training Scheme in Australia. He was a director of Ansett Transport Industries for 20 years until 1974. In 1988 Jones published his memoirs From Private to Air Marshal.
In 1919 Jones married Muriel Stone,

who died in 1970. They had two sons, both now dead. And in 1970 he married Gwendoline Bauer, who died in 1980. .

As director of studies at the British Transport Staff College in the early Seventies, I got to know John Marsh well, as he would lecture there regularly. His usual talk was based on a brilliant speech that he had given to the Royal Society of Arts. It was a keen and hucid observation on our modern life as prescribed, perhaps It was accurate then and, sad to say, remains today as a telling reminder that we should consider the wider implications of our industrial policies and social activities.

portion about the serious business of management in industry. This was matched only by his kindness and generosity. A bright and kindly light has

but I must confess to have felt at

Peter Newman

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Some inhabitants of Baden thought that public gambling had been fair and above-board while the chance of being cheated was greater at the private tables.

BADEN-BADEN (From A Holiday Correspondent)

BADEN, Sept 8. One cannot be long in Baden without finding out that, though the public gambling tables have been abouished, high play — sometimes very high play — still goes on night after night. Gambling had got too thoroughly into the Baden blood to be driven out by a few strokes of even leg-islative pens. The old habitués of Baden who played as a matter of course whenever they were here gradually established such an association between being at Baden and playing that the two things seemed to be, doubtless by some occult of law of nature, inseparable.

As regards, however, the nonexistence of "public roulente ta-bles" in Baden I had myself an experience which makes me somewhat sceptical. A friend offered to take me to one, and, considerably to my astonishment, we went, not into any private house or even room, but into the dining hall of one of the hotels there. It was about 1 1 pm a late hour for Baden — and when we entered nothing certainly could have been more innocent than the appearance of the hall. It was barely lighted except at the upper end, and its only occupants were two men

playing cards at a small table. looking in the dim distance like a couple of belated waiters trying to keep themselves awake until some dissipated guests returned to supper. Another table near them, covered with a white cloth, was evidently the destined supper table. The sudden transformation scene which our entrance wrought certainly seems to me now comic enough.

the moment that it was almost too sensational, too melo-dramatic to be altogether agreeable. A start up from the cards. a whisk of the white cloth, and. before we were halfway up the room the two sleepy waiters were banker and croupier, very wide awake, and bowing courieously from their proper positions over a toy roulette table, which looked like a miniature model of the old Conversation House table, but still was quite big enough to be mischievous. As my friend and I had come in chiefly from curiosthan for a duel in the dark with a strange bank, our position was a trying one, for there was certainly a most unhappy mixture of swagger and cowardice in first wantonly bearding the lion in his den and then, when he showed fight, turning tail. However, we did turn tail, muttering something about "looking in again when there were more people;" and when, about half an hour after, we did, we found a group round the toy roulette table. A few of them were ladies, not ladies from Paris, but mem-

bers of the best Baden society, and on our entrance they beat a the lower end of the hall, though soon after, having meantime, perhaps, satisfied themselves that we were not agents of the police, they came back to the table and resumed play. The play was not high, nor did it last long Bone counters were used possibly as a precautionary measure, as well as for convenience. that money might not be lying about the table - and each counter represented only a thaler, which was scarcely conducive to high play, though there was no limit to the number staked. Everything seemed to me, so far as I could judge, carried on with perfect fairness. There were glasses of iced champagne and cigars handed about for all who would -- players and lookers-on alike. Fortunately - or, it may be, unfortunately for the bank sumed, and very little money, it seemed to me, changed hands.

Archaeology

Avebury yields further secrets

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent quantities would have been

row's premiere of Tosca. The Italian tenor, who cancelled ANOTHER huge prehistoric plans to appear at the Royal Opera House at the end of enclosure has been found near Avebury in Wiltshire. Estimat-April, is opening its new ed to be 350 metres (1,140ft) long and 250 metres across, "He is in great voice and the egg-shaped enclosure dates to about 2500 BC. brought the house down during today's rehearsal." a

okeswoman for the Royal a large double enclosure of two Opera House said. Pavarotti is giving five per-formances of Tosca from toconcentric palisades spanning the River Kennet, five miles west of Marlborough and morrow to September 21 immediately east of the new including two shows that will be relayed free via video find. The double enclosure was threatened by a hotel screens to the Covent Garden development until Michael piazza on September 16 and Heseltine, then environment secretary, refused permission two years ago.

Like its neighbour, the ellip-**Appointments** tical enclosure consisted of a foundation trench in which Mr Timothy Renton, MP, to be Vice-Chairman of the British oak posts were set, apparently at intervals of about a metre. The depth of the posts below Sir Harry Woolf, Lord Justice of Appeal to be a Lord of Appeal in the surface suggests that they ordinary in succession to Lord stood at least three metres

Ackner who is resigning on above ground. September 30. The amount of timber need-Sir David Cozens-Hardy Hirst. ed for the palisade would have Sir Simon Brown, Sir Anthony Evans, Sir Christopher Rose and Sir Leonard Hoffmann, Justices been staggering. Dr Alasdair Whittle said, especially since only oaks with a diameter of a of the High Court of Justice, to be foot or more were used. The

even larger than the estimated 15,000 running metres (50,000 feet) needed for the smaller circular enclosure near Dr Geoffrey Wainwright, who excavated the similar The discovery follows that of

palisaded site at Mount Pleasant near Dorchester, estimated that 364 hectares (900 acres) of forest would have been exploited to get the timber. The figures for the West Kennett site must have been comparable or greater. Since the tree trunks would have been brought from some distance, there would have been significant logistic prob-

lems, Dr Whittle said. Radiocarbon dates suggest that both the circular and the elliptical enclosures were constructed in the late neolithic, between 2800 and 2300 BC. Although the new find may have been in use earlier, and replaced by the double circular

structure, this is not certain. Neither is the function of the palisades: they would have presented a long defensive perimeter, and their location in a valley bottom, in one case with a stream flowing through the middle, does not suggest fortification. There is quite a lot of domestic debris, including grooved-ware pottery, animal bones and arrowheads and other flints, but much of it

is in apparently ritual contexts.

Three smaller enclosures within the elliptical one, clustered together at its eastern end, present yet another enigma: their circular central features are just small enough to have been roofed buildings, but there is no evidence of this so far.

There is good evidence that the entire area south of Avebury was a ritual landscape. however: Silbury Hill, the largest ancient manmade mound in Europe, lies only a short distance from the enclosures, and the West Kennett Long Barrow is just visible on the brow of an adjacent hill. Both were in use around 2500 BC.

Dr Whittle believes that the West Kennett sites are marginally later than the massive earthworks at Avebury

VC of soldier who faked death for sale

By JOHN SHAW

A VICTORIA Cross awarded to a man who later faked his own death is expected to make up to £20,000 at Sotheby's in London next Thursday. Captain Henry Cecil Dud-

geon D'Arcy of the Frontier Light Horse was awarded the decoration for trying to save a trooper who had fallen from his mount at the height of Battle of Ulundi during the Zulu war in South Africa in July 1879.

As the Zulus advanced D'Arcy waited for the man to mount behind him and ride to safety. But his horse kicked off both men. Hurt by the fall, D'Arcy attempted to lift his stunned comrade into the saddle but he did not have the strength and had to gallop away, narrowly escaping the Zulu advance. The fallen man was left behind and his mutilated remains were discovered the following day. The officer received his VC from Lord Wolseley at Pretoria on December 10, 1879 but he

private reasons" in April Malaria and fluke worm

resigned his commission "for

1881.

infection led him to seek solace in drink and he subsequently disappeared from a South African mission station in "a state of delirium".

Police later found a body in a cave in the Amotola forest which was assumed to be that of D'Arcy. After his clothes were recognised, he was assumed to have died of exposure and buried beside at King William's Town. However, a note recently

discovered in the Killie Campbell Africana library suggests D'Arcy changed clothes with a dead man he found lying in the snow. Fifty six years later in 1925 a cricketer playing at Newcastle, Natal, met a man whom he recognised from a photograph as D'Arcy. The cricketer confronted the war hero but D'Arcy pleaded with him not to make his identity known as "he wished to remain dead to the world". David Erskine-Hill,

Sotheby's war medal specialist, said yesterday: "It would be fair to say that VC recipients have in the past tried to avoid the inevitable publicity surrounding their gallant deeds."



Second-hand life policies go under the hammer

In every recession some businesses thrive, as Tony Dawe discovered when he attended an auction trading in other people's lives in London yesterday

SOMBRE-SUITED and quietly spoken, Guy Enriquez, the auctioneer, had a Dickensian air befitting the senior partner of a business started in Victorian times: the catalogue in varying typefaces on blue paper had hardly altered this century and the setting in the Connaught Rooms also suited another age.

The buyers, however, belonged to today, many of them City slickers equipped with mobile phones and large cheque books, who showed no remorse as they traded in the misfortunes of others.

In a matter of hours, they spent more than £1 million buying second-hand life in-surance and endowment policies, mostly from people desperate to raise cash to keep either themselves or their businesses afloat.

The sellers included men in their 50s who could not wait another couple of years for their 15 or 20-year endowment policies to mature and younger men with only one year of their ten-year life insurance policies to run.

The trade in second-hand policies is booming in the recession and yesterday's auction arranged by H. E. Foster & Cranfield attracted 143 lots. It has become the firm's main business but the growth in the size and number of their auctions has been matched by the spread of market-making companies specialising in the private sale and purchase of policies.

Kleinwort Benson has even

launched a £30 million fund for people interested in investing in second-hand endowment policies. Simon White, managing director of the company's investment trusts, said: "They are a growing investment medium because of the bonuses which accrue when they mature and because of the tax advantages to trustees and those paying capital gains.

The business is encouraged offered by the insurance companies to people wanting to cash in their policies. Yesterday's auction attracted a few individual buyers, including a farmer and a housewife, but most of the business was done by market-makers. Vivienne Hay of Gerald Edelman was looking for policies to sell to businessmen in Israel, Switzerland and Lichtenstein, who are keen to invest in the British insurance market.

Once the insured has sold his policy, he naturally loses all rights to it. But the policy remains on his life and should he die before it matures the new owner would benefit No-one in the Connaught Rooms yesterday seemed to find the idea of foreign businessmen dealing in British lives at all bizarre.

Mary Bramwell was the only person to show any emotion. She spent £90,000 on behalf of a business associate buying two policies on the life of a man who is now 80. "It is rather sad to think of him selling his policies after putting money into them for years," she said. "When I first came to these auctions, I didn't like buying somebody else's life insurance but now I realise I am proba-

bly helping them."
The lack of sentiment was evident in the manner of Mr Enriquez. He described Lot 45, a £26,000 endowment policy with nine years to run and being sold by a couple in their 50s, as "a substantial policy to get your teeth into". As he tried to push the price of Lot 49 towards £20,000 at the end of the morning, he told bidders: "If you buy this policy, you will enjoy your lunch even more."

Mr Enriquez told The Times: "We do not get involved in the personal cir-cumstances. We are here to provide a service and we believe we are helping them because we can generally sell their policies at much more than the surrender value". If his firm does so, it takes onethird of the differential between the surrender value and the selling price.

The highest sum paid yesbuyer must continue to pay monthly premiums of £320. It sold for £86,000.



Pride of place: adjustments are given to a bronze sculpture of Manjushri, Prince of Wisdom, at

dom and Compassion: the Sacred' Art of Tibet, opening next Friday. The 5ft figure stands beside a twin bodhisattra, or deity, representing compassion. More than 160 paintings, sculptures and tapestries have been assembled from collec-tions in North America, Europe and what was formerly the Soviet Folkens Museum, Stockholm, The exhibition is sponsored by Silhon-ette Eyewear, Vistech Internation-al and Redab (UK) in association

Four top hospitals faced with closure

Continued from page 1 reforms. The four-man enquiry panel, chaired by Sir Bernard Tomlinson, former chairman of the Northern Regional Health Authority, will suggest which depart-ments in the four hospitals are likely to survive in the market. Where neighbouring hospitals operate similar spe-cialist services, it will recom-

mend amalgamation. It is known to be impressed by the research done at University College and Middlesex. which has the highest research rating of all the teaching hospitals. It will warn ministers that wholesale ciosure would risk losing a

wealth of skill and experience. But the panel has been unable to look at all services provided in the ten months since the enquiry was established by Mr Waldegrave. Detailed work on which departments are to be merged and how it is to be achieved will be left to the task force. It is expected that work on mergers and closures would begin immediately because of the pressing financial problems facing the hospitals.

Arrangements for medical students will have to be made before large scale closures can go ahead. The medical degree course lasts five years and applications are now being taken for next year. It is expected that eight of London's nine medical schools will be consolidated in four groups, focused on Imperial College in west London. University College in north London, St Mary's College in east London and King's College in south London.

£84,000 buys a loaf that's just heavenly

BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

AMERICA is set to bake the most expensive loaf ever made. More than 200 hundred miles above Earth astronauts on the space shuttle Endeavour will be loading up the yeast, water and flour to make a small white loaf costing more than £84,000.

Assuming the experiment is successful, the his-toric loaf might make up to 10 sandwiches. With a smear of butter, a sausage, and a smattering of mustard these could cost more than £8,498 and seven pence each.

The experiment, designed by engineers at Spar Aerospace of Montreal in Canada, and which is set to launch on Endeavour tomorrow, has important scientific and social ramifications for a bread-loving nation. Yesterday American space officials privately admitted a long concern that packed lunches may be off on trips to Mars if bak-ing ingredients fail to rise in near zero gravity.

Lise Richer, a spokesman for Spar, said that the loaf had captivated the imagination of many Canadians who had entered a competition inviting people to sug-gest the most interesting activity that could be carried out in space.

Ingredients for the world's most expensive loaf will be heated to 40°C for 15 minutes, stirred for a further seven minutes, and spend half an hour proving before being cooked at 150°C for up to an hour.

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BOX BYELLE

Given the legendary effect of baking aromas on the human saliva glands, Endeavour's seven-strong crew might be forgiven for feeling peckish. However, Miss Richer suggested the astronauts would be well advised to resist. "It will have no crust and will be very dry," she said, adding that it was planned to fly the loaf back to Earth where it would star in a press conference in Canada.

Nasa's decision to allow a mini-bakery on board re-flects the domestic theme of the seven-day mission. On board will be Mark Lee, 40, and Jan Davis, 38, who are set to become the first married couple in space. Baking bread is fine, but Nasa has decreed that cavorting between crew members is strictly forbidden.

policy for £50,000 payable in 1996. It has already attracted bonuses of £40,500 but the

arms from Iran, this is a Continued from page 1 question that we shall considwhich would mean 6,000 er," he said during a visit to more personnel. He did not Peking. In Beigrade, Mr Jovanovic recommend any air cover.

Owen shocked by carnage

what it can and cannot do . . . "Slowly, persistently, patiently, we will end this [conflict]. It will take time."

Vladislav Jovanovic, the Yugoslav foreign minister and a supporter of Slobodan Milosevic, the Serbian president, resigned yesterday, after launching a bitter attack on Milan Panic, the prime minister. "I cannot stay in a government which follows a policy that is ever more contrary to the interests of Serbia. and the Serbian people," said Mr Jovanovic. Boutros Boutros Ghali, the

UN secretary-general, yesterday recommended an enlarged peacekeeping force to escort relief convoys in Bosnia that could reach 7.500 troops and support staff. In a report to the security council he gave no precise numbers but said the current 1,500-strong force in Sarajevo could in-

The security council is expected to adopt a resolution ap-proving his recommenda-tions, which leave open a date for deploying the forces.
In Zagreb, the Croatian

foreign ministry confirmed that it had seized arms and ammunition from Iran which were bound for Bosnia. The announcement came as Iran said it would consider sending weapons to the Muslim-led government of Bosnia if diplomatic efforts failed to end the conflict. President Rafsaniani denied that Iran has started smuggling weapons to the Balkans, but he suggested his government would adopt a flexible policy.

This problem should be solved through other means. But if other means are not effective, and they request

Rakic, a close ally of the charge of the Geneva talks for

said in his letter of resigna-

tion that Mr Panic's concilia-

tory policies were "deeply

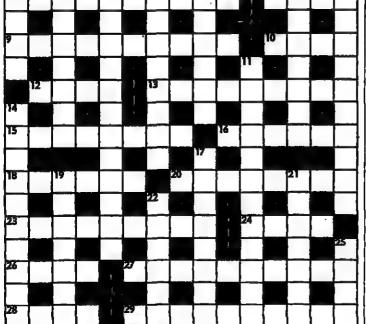
contrary to my understand-

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nity". Ilija Djukic, the former Yugoslav ambassador to Peking, is tipped to succeed Mr Jovanovic However, Ljubisa prime minister, is already in Yugoslavia. The demise of Mr Jovanovic signals a deep-ening of the political crisis in Belgrade and although Mr Panic has become increasingpodular, the power of Mr Milosevic is not to be underestimated.

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THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,021



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1 Occasionally somebody catches cold to some extent (4.2, 1.3). 6 1 rwice see a bird (4)

9 In old age, bishop follows girl by car (4.6). 10 Be wrong about ... (4). 12 ... kind of seat found in lots of

amphitheatres (4). 13 Discovering uranium missing it could have been a disaster 15 As result of a repulse, will . . . (8).

16 ... start to park in front of Judge Jack's house (b). 18 You're told to stick me down (b).

20 Drawback about girl meeting fellow for a drink (8).

23 Common sense could be worth time (6.3). 24 Each is short of five - that's strange (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 19.020

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26 Something leading up to swindle

27 Keep confusing long and short division when beginning (1).

28 Award for farewell appearances in prize from film industry (4). 29 Impartiality displayed by some soldiers (10).

1 Love girl well (4). 2 In disappointment, comfort the cabinet (7). 3 Drains immune to change in

unseasonably warm weather 4 A river bird, jolly familiar (3,2,3). 5 Cancel the jacket for author's first

book (6). 7 Agent in trouble hit out on all sides (7).

 You get sound travelling from it, sound to impress with beauty (6-11 Avoiding familiarity and finally succeeding, learnt maths with difficulty (2,4.6).

14 Koola could be in trouble (2.1.3.4).17 God overwhelmed by prayer in excess (8).

19 Choose one parent, that's best 21 A small number, it's said, getting weary, abstained (7). 22 Bandage man after blow (6).

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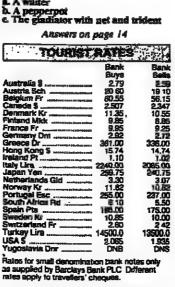
25 Make an arrangement when

season's over (4).

WORD WATCHING A daily safari through the guage jungle. Which definitions are correct? By Philip Howard LETHE
a. A fatal blow
b. Odfin's caves
c. A river of Hell

REDINGOTE a. A long overcoat
b. A dovecost
c. To replace in office KAKEMONO a. An evil genius b. A puinted scro c. A Korean robe DAPIFER

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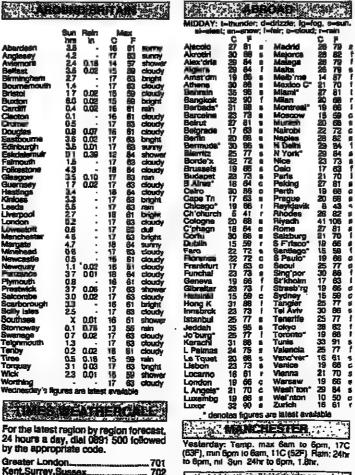


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Much of Scotland, northern, eastern England and southeast England will start cloudy with outbreaks of rain, spreading east quickly. Brighter weather and blustery showers already in western Scotland, Northern Ireland and western England will follow later. Some showers will be heavy, with thunder or hail. Scotland and Northern Ireland will remain cloudy with showers. Windy, with gales in exposed northern and western areas. Outlook: unsettled.



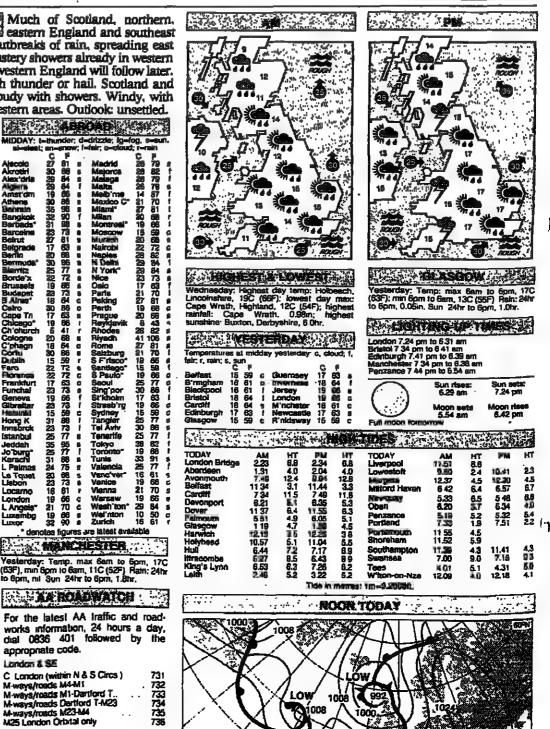
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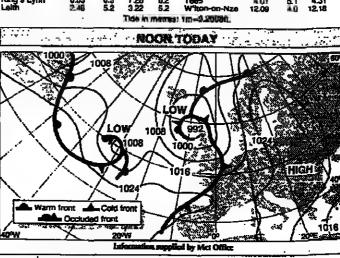
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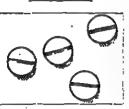


The Bundesbank has been cast as the villain as a new wave of turmoil sweeps the markets, writes Wolfgang Münchau Page 21

DOLDRUMS

More bad news from British building came as Blue Circle Industries reported profits down 26 per cent at £42.7 million Tempus, page 18

HICCUP



Shares in Glaxo, Britain's largest company by stock market value, fell 7p. despite a profit of £1.43 billion Tempus, page 18

SOFTER BLOW

Lloyd's of London's exposure to Hurricane Andrew has been put at £450 million, far less than the market

TOMORROW



John Cahill, the chairman of British Aerospace, is a loner regularly at school and hates being late, Carol Leonard finds

THE POUND

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RETAIL PRICES

RPI: 138.8 July (1987=100)

Generators' shares surge on contract hopes

Coal power deal puts more pits in danger

By Patricia Tehan and Ross Tieman

THE government is to force British Coal to accept a painful compromise over the volume of coal sales and the price paid by National Power and PowerGen, the power generating companies.

The deal could mean a knockdown sale of British Coal and an increase in pit closures and job losses ahead of its privatisation next year.

The contracts are believed to have been almost finalised. They have been put to all sides and Tim Eggar, the energy minister, is understood to have stated that they represent a fair and reasonable settlement. As stock market hopes for a

favourable settlement grew yesterday, National Power's shares surged 22.5p to 257p, while PowerGen's gained 18.5p to 270p. Coal privatisation hinges on

agreement over the contracts

its output to the two genera-tors. They will reduce the tonnage they take from this year's 65 million to about 40 million a year for the first two years, falling to 30 million or less in the third year. British Coal will also have to accept a 19 per cent cut in price from 185p a gigajoule to 150p. The tonnage reduction is below even the government's worst case aspirations of 45 million

tonnes for the first two years. The output cuts will hit all of Britain's 50 deep mines, increasing likely job losses from 40.000 to 45,000 or more out of a total of 60,000 jobs at British Coal

Leaked research last year from NM Rothschild, the government's privatisation adriser, estimated that coal sales to the generators would fall to 45 million tonnes in the first year, reducing to 32.5 million in the third year. Rothschild

More high street gloom from CBI

By Colin Narbrough, economics correspondent

RETAIL sales remained disappointingly weak last month and no improvement is expected this year, according to the latest survey by the Con-federation of British Industry.

The gloomy findings of the distributive trades' survey, published yesterday, appear to rule out any chance of the consumer-led recovery predicted by the government for this

But the absence of an increase in retail sales is all the more surprising considering expected price increases are now at their lowest since the survey began in 1983.

Volume sales in shops and stores rose slightly last month compared with dismal figures in July, but business showed a further year-on-year decline in August for the third successive month. This contrasted with the long run of annual increases that preceded the summer.

Retailers expect better sales this month than last but the pattern of year-on-year falls will continue.

Nigel Whittaker, chairman of the CBI distributive trades' panel, said the worsening year-on-year picture reflected the deterioration during the summer in the overall economic situation, which had pressed confidence.

Sir Michael Angus, the CBI president, speaking in Glas-gow last night, said British industry overall was having a 'hard time". He said the CBI knew no quick fix was availsteps the government could take to foster recovery.

Mr Whittaker said shops had continued to cut back sharply on orders placed with suppliers as they sought to reduce the build-up in stocks since the beginning of the year. This stockbuilding has fed through to wholesaling, which reported a significant year-on-year drop in volume sales in August.

Major speech, page 1

Pound steadies as banks support lira

BY OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

fortable yesterday as attention turned to the lira, forcing the Bank of Italy and the Bundesbank to step in to keep the Italian currency from falling through its lower limit in the exchange-rate mechanism.

Large buy orders pushed the pound, which on Wednesday tumbled near its DM2.7780 ERM floor, back to DM2.7950 early yesterday. During the afternoon it dropped back to DM2.7870 at the London close but was slightly firmer against the dollar at \$1.9780.

Fears of a devaluation of the weaker ERM currencies persist, although currency analysts believe the central banks

THE pound was more com- should now be able to defend present parities until the French referendum.

The lira closed at its permitted limit of 765.40 against the mark, despite intervention and Wednesday's economic rescue package. Carlo Ciampi, governor of the Bank of Italy. called German interest rates 'excessively high" and said that rebuilding eastern Germany should not prevent lower interest rates in Europe.

Eberhard Martini, president of the German banking association, predicted the Bundesbank could cut its key lending rates as early as

Reinctant villain, page 21

Observers say that by provid-

thought 18 to 20 pits would

stay open; the proposals could

mean only 15.

The generators argue that imported coal is cheaper and that they have a duty to share-holders to win the best deal. ing the generators with cheaper fuel, the government is effectively increasing the value of its 40 per cent stakes in them ahead of their possible sale next year.

introduce a Bill for privatisation in the next session of Parliament and Michael Heseltine, trade secretary, has already made it clear he wants to see an agreement in place before next month's Conservative party conference, where he hopes to reveal sell-off details.

The key to the compromise is agreement between the two generators and the 12 regionelectricity companies over the volume and price of wholesale electricity for supply to the franchise market, the smaller end of the business that sells to domestic consumers and small businesses. The generators cannot agree to buy the coal until they know they will be able to sell the power produced to the RECs.

The contracts will come into force from March and will run for five years. Current contracts, which force the generators to pay a premium on world coal prices, were imposed by the government two and a half years ago. This premium is passed on to the electricity companies who in turn pass it on to customers.

Under the new deal the full benefits of the price cuts are unlikely to be passed on to the consumer, though prices are unlikely to rise either. The generators' profits will be boosted and the RECs' margins will be guaranteed for the next five years. Ministers are understood to

have been alarmed when they returned from their summer holidays to find there had been no movement on the coal negotiations. Mr Eggar has since embarked on meetings between the generators, the RECs and British Coal. A National Power spokesman said: "Discussions are still going ahead. We are making reasonable progress, but we are short of a final decision. It is not done and dusted."

Dr Richard Wills, a director of the Major Energy Users Council, said: "The govern-ment seems to be going for a short-term political fix rather than a long-term rational energy policy. The electricity supply industry is determined to maintain its profits at the expense of the rest of British industry."

Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, said yesterday that he has complained to Antonio Cardoso e Cunha, the European energy commissioner, about alleged distortions in Britain's electricity markets. Mr Willis described "unfair competition" from natural gas generators, which, he said, is forcing coal pits to close.

He criticised the RECs for making power purchase contracts with the natural gas suppliers when "in many cases the RECs have an equity interest in these plants".



Cadbury drinks to hot summer

By Jonathan Prynn group chief executive, said the

A SURGE in cold drink sales during hot and sunny May and June helped Cadbury Schweppes push interim pre-tax profits ahead 13 per cent to £126 million

The company said UK beverage volumes were up 6 per cent by the end of June after being unchanged on the previous year as recently as April. An estimated 3.5 million cases of drinks were sold because of the early summer, when temperatures were an average of 4.5 degrees centigrade up on the same period in 1991. However, the benefit to beverage trading profits, up 40 per cent to £30.4 million, was partially offset by a 15 per cent drop in confectionery sales.

Dominic Cadbury, the

group had also faced tough trading conditions in continental Europe, where trading profits were down 32.1 per cent. The Spanish beverage operations suffered from poor weather, while France was hit aggressive competition from the cola giants. The American operations had a strong six months, with trading profits rising 52 per cent to

Cadbury Schweppes' recent acquisitions, which included Hacks and Victory V. the cough sweet brands, in the UK. a 70 per cent interest in Piasten, a German checolate maker, and Aguas Minerales. Mexico's largest mineral wat-er company, had no impact on

months after the £184 million Mexican acquisition, "the bottom line is where we would expect it to be at this stage". Adverse currency movements on the US and Australian dollars cut carnings

earnings during the period. Mr Cadbury said that four

growth from an underlying per cent to 1.1 per cent. Mr Cadbury described the

outlook as "unforecastable" but said the company had survived the recession "pretty well" so far. It entered the second half "cautious but confident," he said, adding that he expected Christmas to come late again as traders continued to maintain low stock levels. The interim dividend rose 3 per cent to 3.3p.

Gillette signs up **Parker** pens for £300m

By Jon Asirworth

PARKER Pen is being sold for £300 million to Gillette, the American razor, stationery and toiletries group, to create one of the world's biggest

branded pen groups.

The sale will make instant millionaires of the key Parker directors who led a buyout from Manpower six years ago, From an original investment of £300,000, they now have

E88 million to share. Gillette, which owns Paper Mate and Waterman, is believed to be paying a premium for Parker in its drive to become the world leader in writing instruments. The three brands combined will give the Boston group a 15 per cent share of the global writ-

ing instrument market. The sale is subject to regula tory approval in France and England and a Monopolies referral is likely. Gillette is offering £217.2 million in cash with a loan note alternative, as well as a special dividend payment, taking the overall value to £300 million.

Both Parker and Gillette have the right to pull out of the deal until end-January if any "material" changes come to light, such as a downturn in Parker's profitability.

For Parker's managers, the sale is a case of "fourth time lucky". They have twice tried to float the company. An initial flotation in November 1987 was called off after the October crash and a second attempt in June 1988 was abandoned because the mar-ket "did not feel right". Subsequent talks about a possible sale to Pentland, the sports shoe group, for about £180 million, were abandoned in December 1988.

A team of institutional investors, including Schroder Ventures and Electra Investment Trust, put up £25.7 million to help buy Parker in January 1986, with the management investing £300,000. The management's stake is now worth about £88 million. people. The main beneficiaries are Jacques Margry, chairman and chief executive, Robert Barnsley, finance di-rector, Peter Kibble and Malcolm Troak. All are long-

serving employees.
While best known for razors and shaving products. Gillette also owns Braun shavers and blenders, Oral-B toothbrushes and Liquid Paper correction

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BTR's earnings fly high on Hawker

By MICHAEL TATE, CITY EDITOR

lion acquisition of Hawker Siddeley injected fresh life into BTR, the industrial conglomerate, in the first half of this year. An attack on Hawker's costs produced profits of £140 million, before interest and tax. That boosted BTR's total to £645 million, against £569 million previously.

After increased

charges, due to the Hawker deal. BTR's pre-tax profits rose from £512 million to £548 million. Leaving acquisitions aside, and adjusting for businesses that have been sold, would produce a profit figure slightly down on last year, entirely as a result of a downturn in construction activities.

LAST December's £1.55 bil- Sir Owen Green, BTR chairman, was scathing about the conditions in which the group has had to operate. "The persisting lack of consumer confidence and the political focus on the extinction of inflation have combined to produce market conditions resembling an economic desert, in which cost reduction processes provide some nurture. An oasis of opportunities for BTR was provided by our acquisitions in 1991."

Earnings per share improved from 17.4p to 17.7p and shareholders will receive an interim dividend of 7.75p. against 7.5p last time.

Not such a bootiful Christmas for Bernard

By MARTIN WALLER DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

A TURKEY'S fate, as Christmas approaches, is not a happy one. Only a little more cheerful about his prospects is the television turkey king. Bernard Matthews, whose eponymous Norfolk company has hatched its second profit warning this year.

Mr Matthews, who has already accepted that the festive season will be anything but this year, blames his plight on turkey dumping not, as it might sound, a new and unusual cruel sport akin to dwarf throwing but the practice of mainland European and American producers of undercutting any price on

offer from his company. Bernard Matthews saw pretax profits tumble from £6.31 million to £2.13 million in the



"I think we might spend Christmas at home this year"

first 28 weeks of this year, and is forecasting that profits for the full year will be less than half the £13.2 million made in 1991. As a consequence, the dividend is halved to 1p - the first to suffer will be Mr Matthews, who holds 40 per cent of the company.

They have already stepped

up production in France by 14 per cent, and they haven't got a market for a lot of it," he says. Their attitude is to meet any price we can sell at and discount it quite heavily." Also moving in on Mr Matthews' territory is the ancestral homeland of the bird so memorably castigated

by the Daily Mirror's Cassandra as a "feathered swindle". Producers are shipping over large amounts of processed turkey meat from America.

Mr Matthews warned shareholders at the May annual meeting that the poultry and meat market was depressed and he now says the situation has deteriorated since then "Following poor Easter sales we are experiencing extremely difficult trading conditions, especially with sales of whole turkeys and turkey meat," he says. In other words, and not to put too fine a point on it, the

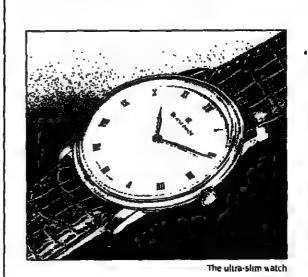
market is stuffed. The stock market took this view, the share price sinking to a few feathers short of 30p before recovering to 38p, down ip on the day, as buyers were tempted in. One was the company itself, which bought

in 50,000 shares at 33p each. Mr Matthews is getting his own back on the continentals. however. The aim of the company, which has increasingly been concentrating on other processed foods to wean it away from a dangerous dependence on Meleagris gallopavo - the common turkey - is to sell its branded meat and fish products to other EC countries.

The prospect of a glut of tur-

keys roaming Britain, al-though too frightful for the true gourmet to contemplate, at least raises the prospect that those who enjoy chewing through chicken-flavoured cardboard might have to pay less for their pleasures this Christmas. Not necessarily. growls the turkey king himself: "That's up to the big multiple grocers. That's their

BLANCPAIN



SINCE 1735 THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A QUARTZ BLANCPAIN WATCH. AND THERE NEVER WILL BE.



Britain's largest company in stock market value terms on the back of one product -- the Zantac ulcer treatment, which was responsible for £1.8 billion out of £4.1 billion in group sales in the year to end-

While anxious to point out that Zantac sales were still growing at 13 per cent, Glaxo was just as keen to draw attention to the three new drugs that comprised 9 per cent of sales.

Glaxo sold £363 million worth over the year of Zofran, an anti-nauseant: Serevent, an asthma drug and Imigran, a migraine treatment. Zofran is available in every big market except Japan, but Serevent and Imigran are still going through the approval process in several countries, notably America, and so still have large sales potential. Brokers estimate that in 1995 Imigran could have sales of anywhere between £400 million and £1.5 billion.

The patent for Zantac's primitive form runs out in 1995 but the patent for the form actually taken by patients does not run out until the year 2001-2. The City would not be surprised, however, at limited generic competition to Zantac from 1995 onwards before full competition in the year 2002.

Meanwhile, Glaxo is in the best of financial health, raising pre-tax profits by 11 per cent to £1.43 billion in the year to end-June. Exchange rates helped Glazo to the tune of £55 million at the trading profit level, up 17 per cent to £1.29 billion.

But falling interest rates cut earnings from the company's cash pile from £179 million to £140 million. The cash pile grew 10 per cent to £1.33 billion during the year, despite another big outlay of £595 million on research and development, up £120 million, and £566 million of capital expenditure.

The share price dipped 7p to 746p, putting the shares on an historic multiple of 21.7 and an historic yield of three. The full-year dividend was increased by 21 per cent to

17p a share. For this year, analysts expect pre-tax profits of £1.69 billion and a similar increase in the dividend to more than 200 a share. That forecast assumes a



All smiles: Sir Paul (right) with John Hignett, managing director (finance). They announced an 11% rise yesterday

expectations down to E1.6

Hold the shares for further excitement. Long-term holders will be interested in Sir Paul Girolami's observation that yesterday's profit and sales improvement matched the total profits and sales achieved just nine years ago.

BIR

RARELY in its illustrious past will Hawker Siddeley have been compared to an oasis. but the eagerness of BTR's management to seize an opportunity to forget the recession, and concentrate again on what it does best, is understandable.

To date, Hawker, acquired just five days before the end of BTR's last financial year, has been something of a mixed blessing, adding about £140 million to the pre-interest profit line, but restricting the group's progress in improving

The additional contract and

number-crunchers have had more time to study the books, have cost the group seven points on its gearing level.
With another four points

lost due to the weakness in the Australian and American dollars, the reduction in the debt ratio from 89 to 79 per cent looks all the more

Much of the improvement in the Hawker performance arises from BTR's fierce attack on the acquisition's debt-or levels, which were averaging 100 days against BTR's 50, and there appears to be scope for further im-

The group as a whole has squeezed £70 million of additional profit from increased productivity and efficiency, to lift pre-tax profits for the first half of 1992 from £512 million to £548 million. Strip out Hawker and adjust for disposals like Pretty Polly, and they are slightly down on last year, but earnings per share on the capital enlarged by the Hawker issue have improved, from 17.4p to 17.7p.

desert" in which it was forced to operate, this was a performance guaranteed to impress the market, and to encourage analysts looking for more than £1 billion pre-tax this year. All the same, Sir Owen Green's remarks suggest the strain may be beginning to tell. BTR's British markets wallow in recession, Ameri-

can recovery remains slow

and Austrulian demand is still

weak. And the dollar's decline

will have a greater bearing on the profit and loss account in

the second half. The interim dividend hike. by no means a foregone conclusion, underlined the confidence of a boardroom that will tolerate nothing but success, however, and the 426p share price, suggesting a pro-spective multiple of over 14, is more than justified.

Blue Circle

THE recession in building must be truly disastrous if even the cement producers, \$1.75. A rate of \$2 brings the necessary now that BTR's Given the "economic suffering. While Rugby

Group produced a respectable performance this week, Blue Circle Industries, the biggest player, can offer little but gloom from its core cement operations at the interim stage, and few prospects elsewhere for the rest of the

BCI's shares dropped 4p to a new low of 130p, before recovering to overnight levels, on news of pre-tax profits down from £57.5 million to £42.7 million. The damage came from the British cement side, where operating profits fell from £20.4 million to £12.3 million after exceptional rationalisation costs of £3.6

British cament volumes fell 10 per cent, with a similar performance expected in the second half and not much more in 1993, even if there is an unturn in construction towards the end of that year. BCI's plants are running at iust 75 per cent capacity. There was some recovery in

America and Chile was strong, but Malaysia suffered Home products, with no makes it attractive during any

A DISASTROUS perfor-

mance in Australia, where losses of £12.3 million were incurred, sent pre-tax profits at

Amec, the engineer and contractor, tumbling from £21.9 million to £10.6 million in the

Fast-diminishing cash re-

serves have required a halving of the interim dividend to 2p, and Sir Alan Cockshaw, the

chairman, said a similar re-

duction could be expected at

the final stage "unless there is an even further significant deterioration in the market".

Even the half-time payout is uncovered, requiring £2.5 mil-

Amec shares fell 9p to a new

Sir Alan said prospects in

Britain were not good, and there was no indication of any

improvement in Australia,

America and Europe. "In

Australia the market has really dived off the end of a cliff."

lion from reserves.

low of 58p.

half year to June 30.

Australian losses

halve Amec profit

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

Celsius operation, acquired at the end of the first half, were largely unchanged on last time. The British heating market was weak, with consequent erosion of margins, while aggressive competition from Caradon and Spring Ram depressed the bathroom products side. The lawnmower business is still for sale. The Italian Ceramica

Since the £241 million cash call that funded the Celsius buy, BCI has net debt of £190 million and 27 per cent gearing, set for a modest rise by the year-end. Neither home products nor cement can expect much of an upturn. although the group is well hedged against currency

Dolomite operation bucked

the trend by gaining market

A maintained if uncovered dividend was promised for this year at the time of the rights issue, giving a pro-spective yield of 11.2 per cent. but a cut next year looks inevitable. Jamie Stevenson at Kleinwort Benson is looking for £102 million pre-tax, putting the shares on a forward earnings multiple of more than 15. Far too early to

Cadbury Schweppes

THERE can be little doubt that Cadbury Schweppes is a classy act. A steady stream of acquisitions has given the group impressive global reach for a company of its size.

While it is still early days for the latest venture - the £184 million acquisition of Mexico's largest mineral water company — the early indi-cations look encouraging. There are a few clouds on the horizon, not least those that gave Britain such a damp summer, which depressed cold drink sales.

Currency movements are also acting against the company and the outlook for the key Christmas period is not sparkling. However, taxable profits for the full year could easily reach £340 million, up about 8 per cent.

The forward multiple of 15 means the shares are on the pricey side but the fundamen-

Arnec has five large contracts in Sidney and Melbourne that have been hit by rising costs,

and extracting payment from clients has become more diffi-

cult. The company lost almost

£6 million at the operating level and took a £5.5 million

bad debt provision relating to money unpaid that might be

recovered.

Australia is likely to break even in the second half and no

further provisions are expect-ed. Progress in heavy mechan-ical, electrical and civil

engineering offset a downturn

in building.

Amec, which raised £111 million in a rights issue last year, is left with less than £10

million in the bank at the half-

way stage after paying off existing borrowings and

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Exchequer Levy saving boosts LWT interims

LWT (Holdings), the London weekend ITV contractor, lifted pre-tax profits by 41 per cent to £13.7 million in the half-year to June 30, helped by a £2.79 million saving on the Exchequer Levy. An interim dividend of 1.969p on the preferred shares has already been paid. Despite difficult trading conditions. LWT managed an 8.7 per cent rise in net advertising revenue, and margins on that revenue were maintained at 23.3 per cent.

Christopher Bland, the chief executive, said he expected a satisfactory result for the year, although it remained difficult to predict revenues in present market conditions. The halftime figures reflected higher advertising revenue and other income and tight control of costs, he said. During the new franchise period, starting January 1, the Exchequer Levy will be replaced by payments of 11 per cent of advertising revenue and LWT's relatively low cash bid of £7.6 million.

J Bibby cash call

J BIBBY & Sons, the industrial and agricultural group, is raising £35.6 million through a one-for-four rights issue of new shares. Proceeds will be used to reduce borrowings incurred in the acquisition of Finanzauto. Spain's principal distributor of Caterpillar earth-moving equipment. Barlow Rand, the South African group, will take up its full entitlement in respect of its 78.9 per cent stake in Bibby. New shares are being offered at 115p. Existing shares fell 14p to 122p. Bibby has pledged to maintain the final dividend at 6.9p a share for the year to September 26, making an unchanged total of 9.75p, despite a deterioration in trading conditions.

Bodycote ahead

BODYCOTE International, the metals treatment group, lifted pre-tax profits from £5.52 million to £6.4 million in the six months to end-June. The results included a £600,000 contribution from IMT Inc., bought in March. The interim payout is 3.75p (3.5p), on earnings of 14.5p (13.4p) a share. The company said all divisions traded satisfactorily, increasing turnover and profits. The metal technology division, which accounts for 62 per cent of group profits, is expected to be the main source of growth. Turnover was £37.33 million (£32.6 million) and operating profits £6.5 million (£5.5 million).

Indian deal for B Gas

BRITISH Gas has been chosen by the Gas Authority of India Limited (Gail) to begin exclusive negotiations to establish a Joint venture company to supply natural gas in Bombay. British Gas's partners will be Gail and the Maharastra state government. Total investment in the venture will be \$70 million over six years. British Gas is negotiating to take an equity stake of 35 per cent. The project will use indigenous gas from the Bombay High and other western offshore fields, and will involve the establishment of a gas distribution network to service 600,000 customers.

O&Y asks for time

OLYMPIA & York Developments has asked an American bankruptcy court to extend the deadline for submission of a reorganisation plan until January 4, 1993, according to court papers. A court hearing on the request is scheduled for October 1 before Judge James Garrity. Olympia & York will also ask a bankruptcy court in Ontario, Canada, for a two-month extension of its protection from creditors, until December 30. The extension would allow the company more time to negotiate with creditors on the C\$8.7 billion (£3.6)

AMP secures loan

AMP Asset Mananagement, the Australian financial group, has raised £290 million via a syndicated loan facility to refinance short-term debt incurred by the purchase of Pearl Asnance short-term dept incurred by me purchase of Pean Assurance in 1989. The transaction — the largest British syndicated facility this year — was arranged by Fuji Bank and comprises a £140 million revolving credit facility and a £150 million commercial paper backstop facility. The latter supports a £300 million sterling commercial paper programme, again the largest this year. NatWest Capital Markets will act as main dealer with BZW an additional dealer.

Ocean takes a drop

PRE-TAX profits at Ocean Group, the freight handling and marine services group, fell 10 per cent to £20.8 million in the first half of the year. Earnings fell to 9.4p (11.8p) and the interim dividend is held at 4.71p. Sales rose to £653 million (£629 million) but costs rose to £630 million (£603 million). The group said "difficult trading conditions persist in many of our markets and we do not expect any widespread upturn in the short term. The weakening of the American dollar is also having an adverse impact. The shares rose 2p to 189p.

Rathbone buys rival

RATHBONE Brothers, a Liverpool private bank and asset management group, is buying Hilbre Investment Management, a local rival, for £1.31 million in shares. The acquisition will boost Rathbone's funds under management by £30 million to more than £780 million. The bank, which celebrates its 250th anniversary this year, raised pre-tax profits by 24 per center 52.02 million in the first half and its profits by 24 per cent to £2.02 million in the first half, and is boosting its interim dividend by a fifth to 1.5p. Oliver Stanley, chairman, said all the bank's departments held or increased profits.

RTZ HALF YEAR RESULTS

Net attributable profit	FIRST HALF '92 Unaudized £158m	FIRST HALF '91 Unaudired £154m
Earnings per share	15.8p	15.6p
Interim dividend (net)	6.0p	6.0p

- Volume benefits and tight cost control offset 7 per cent fall in metal prices.
- New projects boost copper, gold and coal production.
- Operating cash flow £297 million.
- Gearing reduced to 25 per cent.

Sir Derck Birkin, RTZ Chairman, commented:

"We are determined to achieve the benefits from our continuing, substantial investment in world class projects and to sustain the competitive advantages of our existing assets."

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spending on acquisitions. Sir Alan said he expected this cash position to remain steady or improve slightly by the end of

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

BEATTIE (JAMES) (Int) Pre-tax: £1.76m (£2.37m) EPS: 2.51p (3.4p) Div; 1.40 (1.4p) pressures remain

BR. MOHAIR (Int) Pre-tax: £1.02m (£1.2m) EPS: 5.22p (6.05p) Div: 1.4p (1.4p)

EMESS (Int) Pre-tax: £1.1m (£1.3m) EPS: 0.6p (0.6p) Div: Nii (0.65p)

ERITH (Int) Pre-tax: £229,000 loss EPS: 0.34p loss Div: 0.35p (1.3p)

FERRUM HLDGS (Int) Pre-tax: £424,000 EPS: 0.97p (3.82p) Div: 1.1p (1.1p)

GOWRINGS (Int) Pre-tax: £172,000 EPS: 1.62p (5.9p loss) Div:1p (1p) HALL ENGINEERING (Int) Pre-tax: £1,55m (£1,16m) EPS: 2.27p (2.69p) Div: 3.3p (3.8p)

INT. BUSINESS COMM Pre-tax: (Int) £572,000 EPS: 0.2p (1.9p loss) Div: Nil (nil)

LON. FORFATTING (Int) Pre-text: £8.42m (£6.6m) - EPS: 6.41p (5.02p) Div: 2 9n /2 825n)

Sales rose from £32.9m to £35.5m but operating profits fell from £990,000 to £725,000. Trading

Trading remains difficult in textile activities because of poor consumer demand but engineering activities have improved

Turnover slipped from £73,5m to 269.3m but interest charges were reduced from £2.4m to £1.9m. Company remains cautious

Previous interim profit was 2356,000 and earnings were 0.55p. Return to profit depends on recovery in housing market

Last time's interim profit was £1,4m. Turnover fell from £24m to £19,2m. Second half expected to be

Previous interim loss was £531,000. Profit included £170,000 surplus from property sales. 'K' reg car sales encouraging so far Operating profits were down from \$3.71m to \$3.11m but interest charges were reduced from \$2.55m to \$1.56m

Last time there was a loss £2.440. Operating profit rose 50 per cent to £3.3m on turnover unchanged at

£27.5m, against £27.9m Trading income rose from £7.9m to £10.9m and borrowings were further reduced, cutting interest charges from £2.9m to £912.000 PCT GROUP (Int) Pre-tax: £925,023 EPS: 7p (7.6p) Div: 2.5p (2.5p)

PENDRAGON (Int) Pre-tax: £2.17m (£2m) EPS: 5p (5.9p) Div: 2.2p (2p) REECE (Int) Pre-tax: £183,000 loss

EPS: 0.14p loss Div: Nil (nil)

ROBINSON BROS (Int) Pre-tax: 2736,000 EPS: 25p (25p) Div: Nii (Nii) SEMA GROUP (Int)
Pre-tax: 27.73m (£6.6m)
EPS: 5.3p (4.7p)
Div: 1.1p (1p)

SIRDAR (Fin) Pre-tax: £5.05m (£4.61m) EPS: 5.85p (5.26p) Div: 5.15p (5.15p)

SEVERFIELD-REEVE (Int) Pre-tax: £398,000 loss EPS: 2.65p loss PORVAIR (Int) Pre-tax: £758,000

EPS: 4p (4p) Div: 1.2p (1.1p) TLS (Int) Pre-tax: £77,000 loss

Acquisitions lifted turnover and profits. Further acquisitions are being considered. Directors regard short-term future with caution

Turnover rose from £77m to £101.2m and operating profits from £2.72m to £3.2m. New car sales in August were lower than expected

and earnings were 0.33p. Working capital is being reduced with emphasis on stock reduction Last year's Interim profit was £758,000. Current trading described as fitful and a weaker second half

Previous interim profit was £540,000

is in prospect Retained profits boosted by sale of Sofres for £15.4m, eliminating net debt. No sign of recovery in

Turnover was £52.03m, against £53.5m, and operating profits were £5.8m, up from £5.4m. Trading

remains difficult Interim profit last year was £506,000, with earnings of 3.24p. Tender prices declined and losses were sustained on several contracts

Record results achieved on strong export sales, interest charges declined following rights issue. Further progress likely in 2nd half

Losses reduced from £267,000 last time. Activities rationalised at Wrexham and Salford. Rights issue completed in lutu

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Demise of spiral limits hurricane losses at Lloyd's

By Jonathan Prynn, insurance correspondent

THE total exposure of Lloyd's to claims resulting from Hurricane Andrew will not exceed £450 million, far below the losses the market suffered as a result of Hurricane Hugo in

George Lloyd-Roberts, chairman of the Lloyd's Non-Marine Association, revealed the figure yesterday, two weeks after the storm over Florida and the Gulf of Mexico.

The Lloyd's market's relatively low share of the total \$7 billion to \$8 billion (£3.5 billion to £4 billion) insured loss reflects fundamental changes in global catastrophe reinsurance resulting from the London market's large losses

RTZ Corporation, the interna-

tional mining group, in-creased profits in the first half

of the year despite poor condi-tions in world markets, through a combination of £35

million cost reductions, saving

on interest charges and in-

creased production from new

market conditions to improve

substantially either in the second half of this year or in 1993, due to the slow pace of

world recovery.

Net attributable profit for the six months to end June

edged up 3 per cent to £158

million. This does not, howev-

er, include the £30 million net

shortfall on the proceeds of

selling its 51 per cent stake in

Rio Algom at the end of the

period, which is charged as an

The interim dividend is

maintained at 6p from earn-

ings up 1 per cent to 15.8p per

share. The results were well up to City forecasts and lifted RTZ shares 12p to 510p. Pre-tax profit rose 3 per cent to £295 million on turnover

extraordinary item.

The group does not expect

mine projects.

Sunday Maria

Reduced costs help

RTZ to edge ahead

By GRAHAM SEARJEANT, FINANCIAL EDITOR

in recent years. "The lessons of Hurricane Hugo were quickly learned." Mr Lloyd-Roberts

Hurricane Hugo resulted in smaller total losses than Hurricane Andrew. Three years ago, however, the London market, and Lloyd's in particular, provided far higher levels of reinsurance cover for American insurers. This was concentrated in the now defunct LMX spiral, resulting in huge personal losses for thousands

of Lloyd's names. Ironically, the complicated structure of the spiral means that losses resulting from Hur-ricane Andrew will be known long before the final outcome

virtually unchanged at £2.27

billion. Robert Wilson, the

chief executive, said lower

metal and mineral prices had cost £30 million, offset by increased production worth

£25 million. This came mainly

from the Bingham Canyon

copper and gold mine in

America, where capacity was

expanded, from RTZ's share

of the Escondida copper mine in Chile, which came fully on

stream, and from the first contribution of the rich but

erratic Kelian gold mine in

There were few net currency

£683 million over the six

ing to 25 per cent.

Indonesia.

their exposures on their own many times 1989 rates.

Even if the total loss to spread more evenly around the market than before

because of the collapse of the LMX spiral.

By Wednesday, the London market had paid out \$152 million on Hurricane Andrew, Lloyd's accounted for 48 per cent of that. Outstanding

Mr Lloyd-Roberts said most losses were on the non-marine side: the marine market had escaped relatively unscathed. There is a general feeling among practitioners in the marine market that what they have suffered is a miracle," he

☐ Two key reviews of the losses suffered by LMX syndicates between 1988 and 1990 effects in the first half but subsequent weakness of the are likely to be published within the next few weeks. American dollar could have a modest negative effect. Net debt fell from £759 million to months, reducing loan gear-Gooda Walker syndicates, are long overdue.

Sir Derek Birkin, the chairman, said the long recession was bringing the price of quality assets down to levels that RTZ might consider Comment, page 21

on Hurricane Hugo. American insurers are now having to retain far larger proportions of books and any reinsurance

Two big American insurers, All State and State Farm, have been particularly hard hit by the latest hurricane. Their losses may be big enough to push up notoriously stubborn American premium rates and will certainly make catastrophe reinsurance cover even more expensive.

The American insurance industry has about \$6 billion of reinsurance cover worldwide. Between 20 and 30 per cent of it is placed in London, about half of that at Lloyd's.

Lloyd's reaches the top esti-mate of £450 million, it will be

claims on top of that figure have reached \$633 million. The Lloyd's market's share of paid and outstanding claims is 31 per cent.

Lloyd's said yesterday. The reports, into the Feltrim and

The report on Feltrim's losses, which was compiled by a panel chaired by Sir Patrick Neill, QC, was originally scheduled for publication in October last year. Many names are highly critical of the lengthy overruns.



SIR James Mckinnon, director general of the Office of Gas Supply (Ofgas) has joined the board of MAI, the media services group. Sit James's appointment is believed to be one of the first for a regulator

still in office. Sir James, 62, is also on the board of Scotia, a private phamaceuticals company, and acts as a consultant to the World Bank, the Polish government on energy issues, and the Argentine government on

He was finance director of Imperial Tobacco until 1986 when the company was taken over by Hanson. He then joined Ofgas, where he earns

There is no £62,000. precedent to deter a regulator appointed by statute from accepting a non-executive directorship. However, the move is an unusual one.

Sir James, 62, said he felt comfortable accepting the position. He added yesterday: "There is no conflict of interest and I am sure that I am capable of the workload. It is a matter of starting to reposition myself in the market in preparation for my leaving Ofgas in 1994. In any event, the de-partment of trade cleared my appointment to MAI's

The issue of gas services was

and mergers commission ear-

lier this year. MAI's two other non-executive directors earn between £5,000 and £10,000 for their services, according to the company's 1991 annual report.

A spokesman for Proned which operates a register of non-executive directors, said there was nothing to prevent a regulator joining a board, as long as there was no conflict of interest. He added: "It is likely that Sir James prior expertise is what the company is

Sir James also sits on the Financial Review Panel, which ajudicates on matters related to City ethics.

AIB axes 220 jobs in £8m cost-cutting move

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

bank, is cutting 220 staff from its loss-making British division in an effort to reduce costs. The bank is also pulling out of asset finance and central consumer loans and will concentrate on its core branch

AlB is cutting 150 jobs from its central support staff in Uxbridge in Middlesex, 60 from its chain of 35 branches in England and 10 from other operations. The cuts will in-

AIB Group, the leading Irish dude compulsory redundancies in the support operations, and come after the bank already shed 200 employees through natural wastage in

the last two years. The losses follow persistent losses from the British business. In the year to end-March, the division lost Ir£47 million (£43 million) compared with a IrE5 million loss in 1991. The cutbacks, costing £6 million, will save an estimated £8 million a year.

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Booker down at half-time

By MICHAEL TATE CITY EDITION

THRIFTIER eating-out habits are stunting growth at Booker, the food distribution group, and pre-tax profits eased from £32.9 million to £32.6 million in the 24 weeks to June 13.

Booker, which supplies establishments ranging from top restaurants to lunchtime sandwich shops, says there has been no decline in the volume of food consumed away from the home, but Jonathan Taylor, the chief executive, said consumers were "buying sandwiches now when they might have eaten in a restaurant before". He is confident that the trend towards eating out will resume once recession

Food distribution profits dipped from £15.5 million to £12.7 million

The lower profits have been struck after undisclosed provisions for bad debts and for closures and other rationalisation costs. The decline in the dollar in the first half, when Booker normally earns a biger proportion of its profits in America, reduced profits by £1.6 million.

Earnings slipped from 11.56p to 11.34p a share, but the interim dividend is held at 7.5p. Net debt, traditionally high in the summer, improved by £10 million to £194 million. Mr Taylor says gearing will

continue to improve.



Flagship store: Neville Bain and Fiona Harrison with part of the autumn collection at a new Viyella shop in Brompton Road, London

Tootal helps Coats Viyella to 10% increase

BY NEIL BENNETT

BENEFITS from last year's takeover of Tootal helped Coats Viyella, the textiles group, increase pre-tax profits 10 per cent to £52.9 million in the first half of the year, despite recession and a collapse in profits in Brazil.

Cost savings from the merger and £7.8 million in property disposal gains offset reorganisation costs and an 87 per cent rise in the interest charge to

£19.6 million. Earnings per share remained steady at 4.3p and the half-year dividend is being held at 3p. Coats' sales rose 17 per cent to £1.02 billion due to the addition of Tootal, which was only included for

one month in the previous interim figures. Like-for-like turnover fell 2 per cent, but operating profit rose 17 per cent to £69.2 million as the benefits of the reorganisation filtered through. Coats slumped to a £700,000 loss in

South America (£6 million profit). Neville Bain, chief executive, said conditions in the country were still difficult. The problems in Brazil worried City analysts who downgraded their full-year forecasts. They were also concerned that there were more than £350 million of debts at the half year. Russell Walls, finance director, said the group hoped to reduce this to

about £260 million by the year end.

Coats' star performer was its fash-

ion retail division, which runs the Jaeger and Viyella shops. Operating profits leapt from £100,000 to £3 million, despite a slight fall in sales, under the management of Fiona Harrison, chief executive.

Like-for-like profits rose 27 per cent to £10.7 million at Dynacast, the

engineering division. In the past year. Coats has shed 7,000 staff, including 3,000 in Britain and 1,000 in Brazil.

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1992 Half Year Results

	First half 1992	First half 1991
Sales	£4,310 m	£3,228 m
Profit before tax	£548m	£512 m
Earnings per share	17.7p	17.4 p
Dividend per share	7.75 p	7.5 p



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John Laing turnover falls by a quarter

By MICHAEL TATE CITY EDITOR

MARTIN Laing, chairman of John Laing, the housebuilding and construction group, unveiled a further fall in profits yesterday, and warned of worse to come.

Pre-tax profits for the first half of 1992 were £5.6 million (£6.3 million) but are a substantial improvement on the second half of last year, when the board wrote off £87.8 million in recognition of falling property values, to leave a pre-tax loss of £65.3 million. Following last year's cut in the final, the interim dividend is held at 3p a share, but Mr Laing warns against jumping

to conclusions about the final He has harsh words for the government whose "dogmatic nsistence on non-intervention in the economy and its rejection of any positive proposals by industry will only exacerbate the current recession".

He points out that an "oversupply of commercial property, increased unemployment, high interest rates and the government's monetary and fiscal policy have all combined to reduce significantly the level of construction work available to us and depress house prices

Group turnover fell to £597 million (£811 million) during the six months, and work in hand is down by 25 per cent. Staff have been cut by 26 per cent since 1990. UK house sales rose over the period, but confidence has deteriorated since the post-election revival. Mr Laing said. The group continues to increase market share in social housing, which should account for almost half this year's sales. American sales improved too but at lower prices. Construction performed well, with the Sizewell 'B' and Glaxo Research Campus contracts going smoothly.

recession Mr Laing says the results must be regarded as satisfactory, and the market appeared to agree, lifting the share price 5p to 114p.

Laing ended the half-year with a net cash balance of £10 million (£13.2 million debts).

STOCK MARKET

Report of coal deal gives power generators a boost

generators have thrashed out a deal with British Coal. An announcement is expected within the next few days outlining the details of a contract that should be favourable to the generators. Talks have been under way for some time, with the power companies holding out for a lower price. That has met fierce resistance from British Coal, which is gearing itself up for privatisation.

The biggest gainer from the renort was National Power. which climbed 23p to 257p on turnover of 12 million shares. There were also rises for PowerGen, 19p better at 270p, and Scottish Power, 6p to 186p; Scottish Hydro firmed up to 212p. None of the parties to the talks would confirm the report last night.

Hopes of cheaper electricity cheered distributors. Their optimism was passed on to shareholders of Northern Electricity at the annual meeting. Northern shares rose 7p to 429p. There were also gains for Eastern, 5p to 368p, East Midland, op to 394p, London, 7p to 389p, Manweb, 8p to 446p, Midland, 13p to 419p, Norweb, 8p to 430p, Seeboard, 11p to 407p, Southern, 8p to 405p, South Wales, 6p to 457p. South West, 11p to 407p and Yorkshire, 6p to 447p.

The rest of the equity market was more settled than of late. Selective support for leading shares was reported as traders and investors absorbed a list of trading statements from big companies. Although most companies reporting did not forecast a revival in trading prospects, there were no horfor stories such as accompanied some statements earlier

The FT-SE 100 index closed just below its best of the day, with a rise of 13.1 to 2.340.6. Trading was thin; only 485 million shares changed hands. Glamo announced full-year

pre-tax profits of £1.4 billion,

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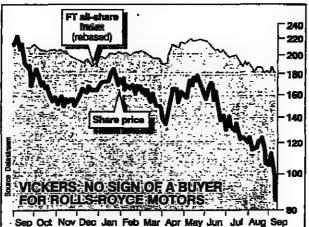
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profits would have been £55 million lower if the pound had held steady at last year's levels. It was the group's twelfth successive year of profits growth but it failed to impress the market: the shares fell 7pto

Fisons, which unveiled a sharp drop in half-year profits on Wednesday, rallied to end the session 9p better at 169p. But there was no respite for English China Clays after this week's drop in profits and bearish statement. The shares fell 10p to 361p, making a

duced interim pre-tax profits up £14.5 million at £126 million, in line with analysts' forecasts. After an early markup, the price fell 14p to 415p. Analysts are worried that the second-half performance will lisappoint, soft drink sales having been hit by the poor summer. Panmure Gordon has reduced its forecast by £7 million to £340 million. United Biscuits, reporting

later today, fell 10p to 235p. Enterprise Oil maintained its dividend despite a drop in pre-tax profits from £78.9

lacklustre session. It fell 6p to 240p, making a two-day loss of 15p. The shares have been depressed by 2.6 million shares overhanging the market. Yesterday, these were placed at 239p. the broker passing most of the shares on to clients at 241p.

two-day fall of 80p. BTR, the industrial conglomerate, responded to half-year figures that were better than expected. with a rise of 190 to 4250. Pretax profits rose from £512 million to £548 million. The interim dividend was held. RTZ, the mining and fi-

nance group, impressed the market with a 3 per cent improvement in net profits to £158 million. The rise was achieved against a backdrop of falling metal prices and a higher tax charge. The price firmed 22p to 5 l4p. Cadbury

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million to £50.9 million. The company blamed the recession and dollar weakness for the setback. It has promised to double oil production by 1995. The price jumped 19p to 317p.

Last month, the shares were hit when Gartmore Investment Management placed its 2 per cent holding in the

Half-year figures from Blue Circle Industries reflected the effect of recession on the building industry, with pre-tax profits down from £57.5 million to £42.7 million. The

of improvement but the share price held steady at 134p. Amec dropped 7p to 60p after cutting the dividend and reporting pre-tax profits halved to £10.6 million.

John Laing, however, held its dividend, despite a drop of £700,000 in half-year pre-tax profits to £5.6 million. The shares rose 1 lp to 120p after company chiefs impressed analysts at a meeting accompa-nying the release of the

Vickers, the Challenger tank and Rolls-Royce luxury motors group, fell 14p to a new low of 84p on talk that Warburg Securities, the stockbroker, had turned seller. Warburg is said to be worried that the dividend might be cut and is also concerned about the time being taken to sell Rolls-Royce,

Vickers' profits have been hit by recession; sales of Rolls-Royce cars have fallen sharply on both sides of the Atlantic. Reed International, the

publisher, remained unset-tled, falling 10p to 477p amid revived talk that Cazenove, the company's own broker, had downgraded its profit estimates. A similar claim earlier his week was denied.

Gowrings, the motor distributor, was steady at 38p after returning to the black with pre-tax profits of £172,000 against a deficit of £531,000 last time. The group says it is heavily reliant on sales of K-registration cars and Ford Motor new marketing programme. Analysis are looking for pre-tax profits of at least £250,000 from Gowrings for the full year. compared with a loss last time of £950,000.

Shares in J. Bibby, the agricultural products group. company announced plans to raise almost £36 million by way of a one-for-four rights issue at 115p. The proceeds will be used to finance a recent Spanish acquisition.

MICHAEL CLARK

By GEORGE STVELL

HIGHER capital spending and lower sterling oil prices

sent Enterprise Oil's net income down from £60.3 mil-

lion to £34.6 million in the

first half of 1992. Relief that

the fall was not greater pushed up the shares 18p to 316p. The figures would have

been worse had it not been for

£26.5 million of interest charges accounted for in the

balance sheet and not the

profit and loss account, although in last year's first half £24 million of interest was capitalised. Net interest re-

ceived is shown as falling from

Earnings per share slipped

from 13.2p to to 7.9p, still enough to cover a maintained

6.5p interim dividend. Gra-

ham Hearne, chairman and

chief executive, said: "The

group remains on track to

achieve a near doubling of

Enterprise produced 135,500 barrels of oil a day in

the first half and expects more

than 260,000 in 1995 as the

Scott and Nelson fields in the

North Sea begin producing.

Longer term. Enterprise is looking in the Black Sea and

Borrowings fell from 49 per

cent of shareholders' funds at

the year-end to 46 per cent at June 30, thanks to the \$175

million preference share issue.

Italy to replace its reserves.

production by the mid-90s."

£30 million to £9 million.

Overseas shares help Dow to early advance

New York — Prices benefited from a stronger close on Wednesday, some stability in the dollar and gains among overseas shares. By late morning, the Dow Jones industrial Tokyo — Shares closed slightly average was 11.35 points higher at 3,282.74. Advances firmer but the Nikkei index was below 19,000 after spendled declines by seven to four ing most of the day above that with 19 million shares traded. level. Brokers said index-Traders said the bounce was also a reaction to pessimism. Heavy bearishness, on this today's futures settlement helped to support the market. view, is a contrary indicator -if investors expect a decline. many will already have moved "We saw some panic buying back of oversold positions as to prevent losses by selling, so the market's next move is investors feared being upward. "I think there is more pessimism out there and that squeezed by a further jump in is why the market is starting to

Nikkei

falls back

from

19,000

linked buying and firm fu-

tures contracts ahead of

but profit-taking took its toll

prices with Friday's settle-

ment," said one broker

'People daren't sell, but they

don't want to push the market

much higher." The Nikkei rose 32.92 points to 18,908.47, with about 600

The Tokyo market has

made impressive gains in

recent weeks but analysts ar-

gue that the rally is govern-

ment-sponsored and unlikely

to continue into October. Insti-

tutional investors are under

official pressure not to sell

before the end of the fiscal half

Hong Kong - A wave of selling triggered by worries

about worsening Sino-Ameri-

can trade relations pushed

shares sharply lower. The Hang Seng index plunged 95.44 points, to close the day at 5.631.55, shortly after touching a low of 5.613.09. Turnover fell to HK\$1.46

billion (£94.7 million) from

Wednesday's HK\$1.51

"Some fund and retail in-

vestors just wanted to reduce

their holdings on selected blue

chips amid the uncertainties,"

said Peter So, research direc-

Singapore — Prices ended

firmer against overnight levels

but sentiment was dampened

during the afternoon by Hong

Kong's sharp fall. One broker

said that was unlikely to affect

Singapore sentiment for long.

since investors saw the Hang

Seng's fall as a buying oppor-

tunity. The Straits Times index rose 3.53 points to 1.372.07. Reuter

tor at Vickers Ballas.

billion.

Relief over size of

Enterprise Oil fall

year on September 30.

million shares traded.

manager of equity trading at Janney, Montgomery Scott, "Everybody is guessing that the Bundesbank is going to lower rates and that is helping the dollar." ☐ Frankfurt -- Shares rallied

Harsh deal

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from their mid-session lows to close a fraction higher, but dealers said the turnaround was due more to moves on the futures markets than any change in the climate for equities. Currency worries in particular were keeping the market nervous and turnover remained low. The Dax index bounced 15 points from its low to end 3.41 up at

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Development spending rose from £117 million to £133 million in the half-year, although exploration and appraisal spending fell from E56.4 million to £44.4 million. Enterprise said the decline in drilling from the record levels of 1991 reflected the reaction of most North Sea operators and consortia to the difficult economic climate and low oil prices. Enterprise's realised oil price fell to £10.59 from £12.13 per barrel in the first half of 1991. For the full year, assuming present sterling oil prices are maintained, analysts expect £80 million of net income, generating earnings of 17.5p a share, just enough to cover a maintained total dividend of 15.75p.

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securities opted for a period of consolidation, helped by a steadier performance on foreign exchange. Prices re-couped some of this week's fall in quiet trading after dealers had given further thought to events in Sweden, where interest rates have soared from 24 per cent to 75 per cent. Pressure for a rise in UK interest rates remains high but there is, once again, a growing belief that the government's £7 billion package to support sterling will be enough to postpone such a move until after the French referendum on the Maastricht Treaty. The latest slide in the Italian lira also appears to have been discounted. In futures the long gilt rose eleven ticks to £97 in quiet trading, while Treasury 9 per cent 2008 climbed almost £12 to finish at £100

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Harshideal for **British Coal**

arsh contracts between British Coal and the main power generators might be welcomed if they were likely to bring cheaper electricity. Politicians will doubtless claim just that and National Power and PowerGen may not contradict them. Yet that is not the true story. In reality, deep coal mines would be sacrificed to bail out the rash of second round gas-fired power stations, some of them linked to power distributors, that did not sign their contracts at such advantageous prices as those early in the queue. These threatened to squeeze out coal-fired stations that could deliver cheaper power. Low coal contract prices combined with rapidly reducing quantities will remove the threat from National Power and PowerGen while appearing to increase competition.

At the other end of the spectrum, electricity prices are being held up, to the detriment of British industry, by the statutory subsidy to muclear power, which is even now-dreaming of further expansion. For the government, such contracts would clear the way for the sale of its remaining 40 per cent of the two big generators at the expense of the residual value of British Coal. Not that this should be, or indeed is, the main consideration in Whitehall. Such manoeuvres seem to hark back to older political priorities, when miners could hold the nation to ransom and power sources needed to be diversified through the nuclear option. The long-fought battle with the National Union of Mineworkers was surely wasted if it merely allowed the government to close most of the industry

instead of saving it and protecting the consumer. The nation is not served by maintaining an uneconomically large coal industry at the expense of consumers. By the same token, closing mines with a sound long-term future at the expense of high electricity prices and higher imports makes even less sense with a high fixed exchange rate.

RTZ on the prowl

ritain's biggest mineral group has been biding B its time on possible investment in British coal until the contract issue is determined. RTZ seems unlikely to be rushing forward, unless it can pick the plums. The group is certainly in a strong position to buy if it wished. Its wide portfolio of metals and minerals, which majors on copper but ranges through coal, iron and aluminium to industrial minerals such as borax and talc, is combined with a wide geographical spread. This did not help much last year but is now showing its defensive virtues, not least in minimising the impact of currency gyrations and keeping cash flow healthy. Even dollar weakness, the greatest threat, is offset by heavy dollar debt, offset by nearly £500 million cash in sterling. Given the parlous state of some other mining ventures, this could be RTZ's opportunity to

Sterling cash has been used to minimise unrelieved advance corporation tax since RTZ realised that keeping UK assets that did not fit its commercial strategy could prove an expensive mistake. Yet a suitable Brifish acquisition would have the added attraction of saving unrelieved ACT of about £12 million in the first half alone. Something like English China Clays, which operates in similar markets to some of RTZ's, might fit the bill better than coal.

should stage a modest recovery for the year but the dividend could stand pat again unless there are definite signs of market improvements by the spring. At least low American interest rates have brought speculative investment to help metal prices recover. Assuming no dividend rise, the shares at 510p would yield 5.1 per cent and sell at 15 times likely 1992 earnings of about 34p. Quality does not come cheap.

Exchange-rate hostilities cast the Bundesbank as reluctant villain

Wolfgang Münchau

says Germany's central

bank did not seek, or want, its pivotal role in

Europe's present

currency contortions

The last thing a fragile inter national economy needs at the moment is a financial war fought by central bank-ers on the unseemly battlefield of foreign eachange dealing rooms. The turmoil in financial markets, the panic over France's referendum on the Massiricht treaty and the general state of Europe's economies, make a perfect breeding ground for such

The enemy is not difficult to spot. Whether people campaign for the Maastricht treaty, or whether they campaign against, whether they are socialist or conservative, there is one thing they all seem to agree on: that Germany is the villain, and the Bundesbank the ringleader.

Such sentiments are are an unde standable response to the effects of misguided German economic policy for the rest of Europe, however unintended these effects may be. The Italian government has just proposed something akin to a state of emergency in order to get to grips with its economy. Sweden has put up very short-term interest rates to 75 per cent to convince the markets it is not about to join in a bout of Scandinavian devaluations. The French appear to be having second thoughts on the single currency, which was their own idea in the first place.

And the British government looks as if it has already given up on its economy, having nailed its colours to the ERM mast, almost as a matter of national prestige, only to find German policy is making that look like an increasingly embarrassing course

High German interest rates are certainly the most important factor behind Europe's difficulties. What makes the whole situation so much. worse is that the Bundesbank finds itself in the unenviable position of having to conduct its own independent monetary policy against the background of an economic policy which it despises and which it tried hard but unsuccessfully to prevent.

That burden of having to cope with problems imposed by others for political purposes also extends to the ERM. The Bundesbank leads the ystem, it leads the intervention, yet deep down many of the bankers remain-expected about the mission of such fixed parity regimes. In 1979, the Bundesbank had to

into the mechanism. To the present day, the Bundesbank remains philosophically more in tune with a system of free-floating exchange rates, and consequently with a monetary policy based solely on domestic economic.

Later, in 1990, the Bundesbank unsuccessfully resisted the timing and the terms of German monetary union. The most obvious sign was the.



Silence is golden: the markets hang on the words of Helmut Schlesinger, Bundesbank president

row over the exchange rates for converting east into west German marks. Subsequently, the Bundes-bank objected to profligate spending by the government, to above inflation wage rises and, most recently, to interest rate subsidies for eastern Germany, which effectively shield it from the bank's monetary policy.
In 1991, the bank unsuccessfully

resisted the timing and the terms of European monetary union, although this is never officially admitted. The fundambank does not of course look forward to its scheduled death as a significant force on January 1, 1999. All this leaves the German renoral

bank in the awkward position of having by support an economic policy which it does not believe ig, within an exchange rate mechanism whicheir considers a folly, for the sake of a monetary union, which it considers

fore, to find that the Bundeshunk has recently been acting strangely, and that it has given the impression of not

being especially helpful.

The seemingly odd behaviour in recent weeks by its president and some of the regional representatives on its central council, especially the recurring comments about the need for an ERM realignment, highlight the present unease. They also high-

light the legacy of the central bank's history. The Bundesbank has remained in essence a domestically oriented institution, deeply suspicious of change, strongly embedded in the traditions of the old federal republic. its regions and provinces. Its directorate's outward internationalism is deceptive. However well-tailored the three-piece suits, however well versed the language, they cannot hide the underlying reality that, as an institu-tion, the Bundesbank remains federal with traditional provincial values, desperately trying to cling to vestiges Konrad Adenauer and Ludwig Erhard that pulled the country from the

mire a generation-ago: --

and all the provinciality asso-ciated with it is now in open conflict with the world at now have the potential to cause a crash in currency markets. A straightforward comment by Helmut Schle-singer, the Bundesbank president, that there was no reason to put up interest rates for the time being, was interpreted as a definite pledge with important political overtones. When he said this was not a pledge but merely an opinion, it was interpreted as backtracking and as an omen that

Jochimsen, one of the regional council members, says that sterling should devalue, then he is not trying to cause embarrassment to Norman Lamont, but he is merely saying what he and all the others have been thinking for the last ten years. The one accusation that cannot be levelled against the bank is that it lacks consistency. There is also a consistency in the

Bundesbank's cosy and informal manner of conducting business. Some German newspapers are surprisingly well-informed in advance about pending changes to interest rates, which would be unthinkable in Britain or in America. Intense rumount are even known to surface in the corridors of what one can here only safely describe as a large.

European commercial bank, which appears at times to be in possession of rather important information.

international paranoia about the Bundesbank. Second guessing the German central bank has become a modern version of Kremlinology. The main change has been a shift in focus from a central committee, of a communist party, to the central council in the case of the Bundesbank.

Bundesbank Kremlinology is a multi-billion pound business. Ill-

timed rumours could potentially wipe out a European country's official reserves. These anonymous bankers become larger-than-life public figures. Everybody likes to guesstimate what they think of the present exchange rates, or whether they prefer a realignment. What do they think of Maastricht or of the French referendum? The outside world has a reasonably good idea of what they think of the German government. though much of it is unprintable. What we do not know is what they think of Norman Lamont, and they might never tell us.
One of the main reasons why the

Bundesbank has been allowed to run into this the time-warp trap, is its much celebrated independent status. Independence is a dangerous word. Independence from politicisms, as it is presumed to mean, is equivalent to independence from the electorate. It works well, if everyone agrees on economic policy, though one may as well be dependent in such circumstances. If they do not agree on policy, independence becomes a different concept. It then means at best being unable to keep up with the changing political environment, and at worst defying the democratic will. The present trouble is that the Bundesbank - the benign dictator in the process of turning nasty - is not merely stepping out of line with the rest of Europe, but with its own

riticisms of the German central bank are relatively rare inside the country. though recently Franz Steinklihler, the head of the IG Metal union, questioned not merely the high interest rates but the very notion of the banks independence. The politicians have so far been careful not to offend the bankers, but with growing political uncertainties this cannot be ruled out.

The increasing tensions are happening less than three years after the West's famous "victory" over communism. Indeed, though the circumstances are entirely different, there are some parallels between the state of western Europe now, and eastern Europe just before its collapse. In both cases, the ruling elite appear to have lost touch with the groundswell of public opinion. The referendum in Denmark was one example. The French referendum may be another. The opinion polls suggest the outcome will be close.

in both cases, the institutions that wield the real power were not democratically elected. This goes for the communists. But it is also goes for the European Commission and the Bundesbank. If Maastricht is ratified; it would apply to the new European central bank as well.

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The real dilemma for everybody is that a rejection of Maastricht would cratic structure in the future, with the certainty of continued subjugation to an undemocratic structure in the present, in the form of the Bundesbank. If one wanted to return to true democratic structures, one would need an overhaul so substantial, as to be virtually unthinkable. But then, much that was unthinkable in Europe has already happened in the past two years.

Through the eyes of Child

IT IS not only hot pollot who bank charges. Child & Co, Britain's oldest private bank, presaged the threats now being made by high street hanks when, on September 1. it doubled to £1,500 the minimum balance customers must have to avoid bank charges. Customers who fail to maintain the minimum will pay charges of a flat £25 a month. or £300 a year, and well-bred young things are said to be incensed by the move. So what does Child provide that, say. NatWest cannot for £300 a year? "We are not comparing like with like," says Bernard Gould, manager at Child's single branch at 1 Fleet Street. "However, we return cheques with our statements, for examole, and we make no charge for looking after custody policies and share certificates." Child's flat fee includes any doubtless polite letters advising customers they are overdrawn — the not always polite version currently available at NatWest costs £20.

Barring the way

RIVALRY continues between the City's two best known wine bar groups. Corney & Barrow has the edge at Broadgate where it outnumbers the Colony group by two to one, but the Colony has increased its lead around Lloyd's of London to four to one with an opening in Leadenhall Market today. The Leadenhall Colony wine bar and grill is only a stone's



Fortunately we have lots of lovely ulcers, migraines and nausea about."

throw from Corney & Barrow in the Victorian market. David Cleave, Colony Group managing director, an ex-Willis Faber broker, says: "At least someone has confidence in Lloyd's future."

Talking point IF YOU thought musical birthday cards were as tasteless as you could get, you are obviously not one of the 200 privileged recipients of the 'speaking" invitations sent out by Hay Management Consultants. Under the caption "Keep your finger on the pulse", the hurid green invitations feature a hand, a pinstriped cuff and a blue patch, which, when pressed, announces the consultancy's annual conference. According to Hay, the eards cost £10 each and were initiated by Paul Boulter, in public relations. despite vigorous protests from

consultants. What the invitee think is not yet known, but do not be surprised if the £2,000 bill, financed, no doubt, by consultancy charges, turns out to be on the agenda of the "client issues" conference next

TERM used by a divorced City wife whose middle-aged exhusband has bought a new red car: the male meno-

Action men

AS LORD Owen flies into the hot spots in Bosnia, it transpires that Sir Brian Jenkins, the Lord Mayor of London, is something of an action man too. This week, he has been visiting Europe's troubled economic zones. Calmly riding out the maelstrom in Scandinavian financial markets. Sin Brian called home this week ship to shore on his way between Helsinki and Stockholm, as Finland was busy unpegging itself from the ecu. Not unused to market turbulence in home waters, Sir Bryan displayed a cool head. On a crackly line to The Times. he reported from "the eye of the storm" that he had fitted in talks with the governor of Finland's central bank and the Finnish prime minister at the height of the currency troubles. He was reassured that Finland's recovery was under way. Like Lord Owen, Sir Brian now faces more onerons tasks - promoting the City as Europe's financial centre and London as the natural site of the European bank.

DEBRA ISAAC

Practical approach to environmental tests for packaging From Mr Dick Hills of its life cycle — its impact on tions are paramount but they the environment from cradle

to grave. A product should be

judged in terms of its resource

efficiency throughout its life:

from extraction of raw materi-

als, through production, trans-

and final disposal.

Sir, In response to the article "Pop goes the foam" (Inforech Times, September 4) I would like to come to the defence of expanded polystyrene — a packaging material in high demand yet frequently por-trayed as the environmental villain. For the record, EPS is recyclable, it is cfc-free and it is extremely resource-efficient as t contains 98 per cent air. However, environmental is-

sues should no longer be simplified to slogans such as environmentally friendly or recyclable. Advances in the science of environmental analysis show the importance of considering a product in terms

effective and competitive product. The green angle has mistakenly been seen as the chink in the armour of a high performance packaging material and used indiscriminately to hoodwink both the consumer

and the packaging decision-Environmental considera-

about the bad publicity the photocopier industry is receiv-ing, as much of the coverage

has failed to mention the steps

the leasing industry has al-

ready taken and the vast

postation and use to recovery In the case of EPS, such analysis shows it to be a very

for purpose.

conditions) but for keeping products cushioned in transit, clean, dry, rodent free, at a far lower cost to the environment than your article implies, it cannot be considered a serious contender to EPS. Yours faithfully, DICK HILLS, EPS packaging committee, British Plastics Federation.

must be balanced with fitness

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degradable (so much so that it

can degrade in any damp

Copier cowboys

Prom Mr Ron Young Sir, I write to clarify matters with regard to your article "High-cost copiers" (August 21). Although the CBI's intention was in no way to suggest that "market leaders and other reputable companies are in arryway involved in this scam", members of the Finance & Leasing Association (FLA) feel that the article reflects badly upon the whole photocopier leasing industry.

Members, who account for n estimated 80 per cent of the UK market, are concerned

of sterling when British indus-

try is becoming less competi-tive and bleeding to death at an alarming rate? I am not a

financial bottin but is there no

majority of complaints are not against members of the FLA. Detailed guidelines were agreed in January of this year addressing the problems of documentation which have been the centre of concern. These were registered by the OFT. All members' documentation had to be revised by 1 April 1992 and this has been achieved. These guidance notes ensure that contracts do

good citizen who will lead us Cry from the abyss away from this abyss? From Mrs François Edwards

Yours faithfully, Sir. The Chancellor has just ELIZABETH EDWARDS. borrowed a sum equivalent to The Old Mill House, a fifth of all the nation's Micheldever, Hampshire. reserves. Is this sum justified or realistic to support the level

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not contain undear dauses which involve costly extras. They state that the period of hire must not be longer than the expected life of the equip-

ment. No member would

issue a contract lasting 9 years. We, like the CBI and the Campaign To Clean Up Copier Contracts, are committed to eliminating problems in the photocopier industry, and our Association is the one body that has so far taken wide ranging practical steps to tack-

We hope that now our guidelines are in place, suppliers wil be encouraged to deal with companies who are members of our Association, which will help drive out the cowboys who are causing harm to members of our Association as well as to the customers who fall prey to

Yours faithfully RON YOUNG, Chairman, Finance & Leasing Association. 18 Upper Grosvernor Street,

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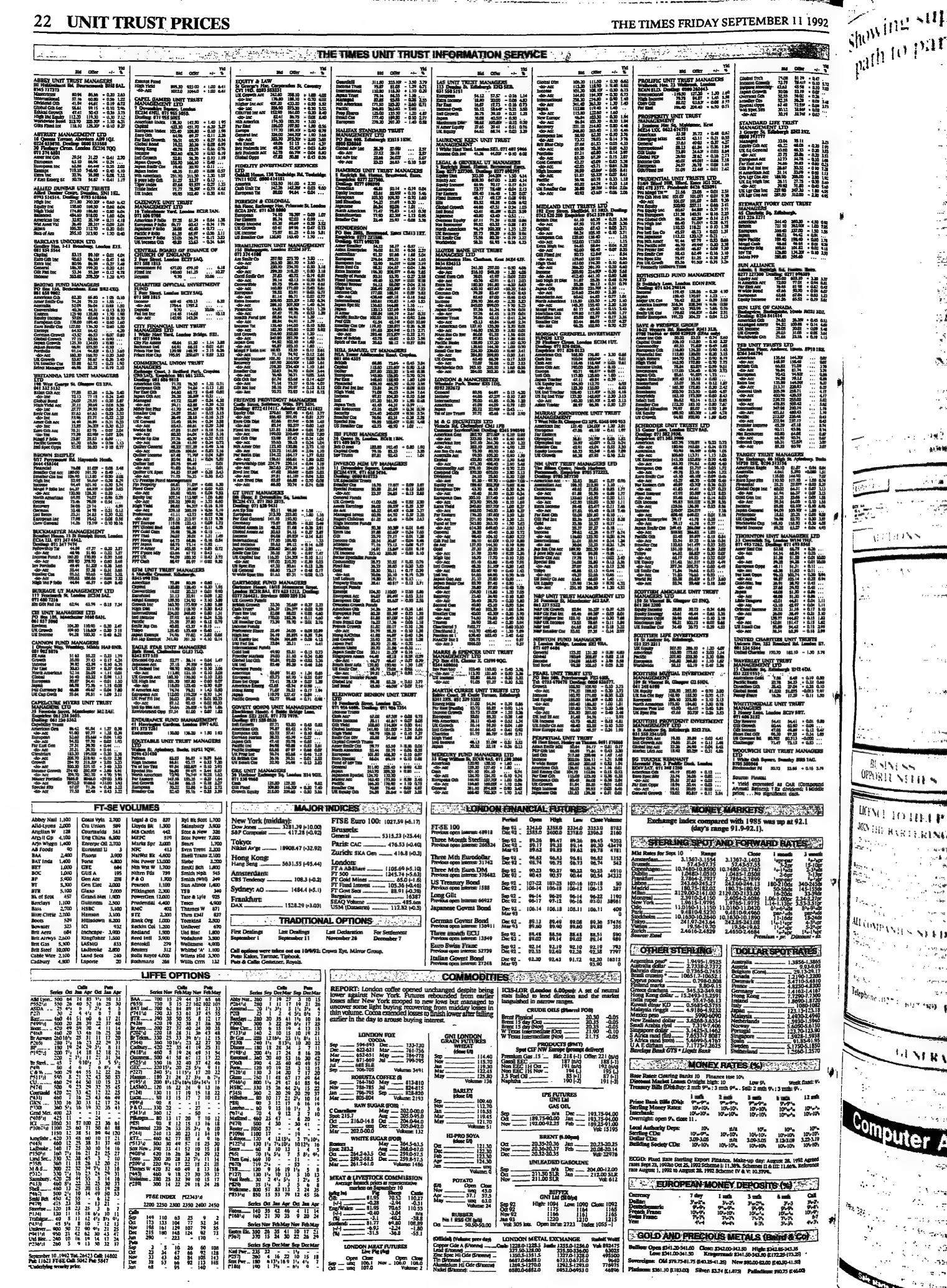
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A BETTER chance for small businesses to become regular and valued suppliers to the engineering industries - such as in vehicles, aerospace and capital plant - could emerge from an initiative by the National Economic Development Office (NEDO).

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Better use of small business suppliers will be commended in a report that was commissioned by NEDO's working party on engineering skills, whose chairman, lan Gibson, is managing director and chief executive of Nissan UK. Nissan is one of the foremost advocates of close relationships with suppliers, exchanging the adversarial approach to one of partnership.

The report, Supply and Development in Action, will be aimed at helping British industries to be more globally competitive.

Mr Gibson said: The report is a

guide to show the resources companies need to put into development, building on their experience of suppliers. We have looked at techniques that work in building a close relationship between customer and supplier to achieve cost competitiveness, timing and quality." The report features case studies and companies should be able to see which study might suggest the best path for them.

Ivor Vaughan, chairman of Rearsby Automotive, component makers, and a member of the working party, said: "What is needed is a win, win situation

between supplier and customer. We have looked at what doesn't work as well as what does, and at

ways to build good relations."

He added: "It is the buyer that decides whether the relationship will be adversarial or not. Reaction to inadequate standards can either be to hit a supplier over the head or

to go in and help."

Mr Vaughan believes the report
will be of "real value" to smaller businesses as well as a DIY kit for all firms to improve relations with suppliers and customers.

But Mr Gibson added this warning: "Smaller businesses will survive long-term only if they can compete globally as part of worldclāss industries."



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Showing suppliers the path to partnership Designs for a bright future most promising marke to a success. EMBROIDERY may not seem the most promising marke to a success.

most promising route to a successful business, yet Debra O'Mahony - whose clients include the Royal Opera House and the Bucks Fizz pop group — turned over £32,000 in her first nine months of trading (Sally Watts writes).

She is just coming up to her first full year — with projected 12-month sales of £41,000 — and her new autumn collection should extend her business in Paris and New York as well as in the home market. Miss O'Mahony, 24, is creating a bespoke design service through her

bespoke design service through her innovative designs, time-saving technology and the experience she gained in holiday jobs with Next in Britain and in Paris and New York. She graduated in techles and fashion at Birmingham Polytichnic, with embroidery as her speciality, in 1989 and the sunce and \$500 in a student competition \$500 in a designer and colourist with London fastion consultancy. She spent the next seven months laying the foundations of the business she now runs from her home in Battersea, south London.

Enterprise Agency's design busi-ness enterprise course, which inchided lectures, developing a business plan and researching the market. She also spent time finding a computer that could handle her contributed, but she did not apaccounts, publicity material, correspondence and, most crucially, her designs. Having taught herself computing, she chose a £7,000 IBM machine, the big item in her

She spent six weeks on London



Looking ahead: Debra O'Mahony has found embroidery the route to a successful business

£9.000 start-up costs. She obtained £3,000 in grants from Wandsworth Economic Development Office, a £4,000 low-interest loan from the Prince's Youth Business Trust, and a further £2,000 loan from Greater London Business Incentive Scheme. Her family also

proach the banks. She launched Etoile Design Associates, at the Fabrics Show in London last September. At first it was difficult to get appointments

with potential clients, but her brochure, with names of customers such as Liberty and Frank Usher, paved the way.

Her business has three facets:

theatte, fashion and bridalwear. It has grown mainly through word of mouth recommendation and skilful marketing, and is getting repeat orders. She enjoys marketing, meeting clients and doing the initial design, which may be a onerials for fabric embellishment

BUSINESS SERVICES

range from beading and crystals to embroidery silks, rhinestones, braiding and cording.

This spring she won the London regional finals of Livewire, the scheme Shell UK started in 1982 to encourage entrepreneurs between 16 and 25. She used her £1.250 prize to buy a computer addition to enable scanning in a design and juggling with colours on screen. She now has a full-time assistant,

Help is coming for rural businesses in Surrey. More than 8.000 contribute to the rural economy of the county, from blacksmiths to electrical contractors, and Surrey Training and Enterprise Council is looking to their development (Derek Harris writes). As a first step the TEC has launched a rural enterprise market research project. Richard Wormell, the TEC's managing director, said the views of all the rural businesses would be canvassed to help identify their development and training require-ments. The survey will also assess the effects on the businesses of defence-related cutbacks in the county. The likely impact on rural businesses of the single European market is also to be considered. It is hoped to have the results out by the

☐ Venture Factors, recently taken over by IFN Factors, which is an arm of Holland's ABN AMRO Bank, is adding to its services. In addition to normal factoring, it is offering development capital in relatively modest sums" and export factoring facilities. Development capital loaned on the strength of a company's assets could be useful to small businesses at a time when banks are being more cautious with their lending, Few venture capital organisations are interested in modest capitalisation because costs of assessing a business can be disproportionate to the sum involved.

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by the hour at Doncaster yesterday and only the prospect of light showers before tomorrow, the chances of the same Oaks winner lining up for the season's final classic appear remote.

Town Moor thwarting nature by using the watering system John Sanderson, the clerk of the course, will not make a taps until this evening.

promoted Bonziv Scot to 7-4 favourtism.

filly on firm ground. She hated it at York and you

With the ground also drying out at Longchamp, where the Prix Vermeille will be run on Sunday, User Friendly may be forced to miss the alternative

Brittain's reassuring mess age to backers who have had an ante-post St Leger bet on the filly was "you will get your

ground at Doncaster was confirmed when Brier Creek broke the race record in the Mallard Handicap over the St Leger trip. John Gosden has an uncanny knack of improving three-year-old handicappers and, despite reservations about Brier Creek's stamina, Michael Roberts had few worries as he headed Kiveton Kabooz, a work companion of Bonny Scot, inside the final

Although only five horses lined up for the Doncaster Cup, the group three contest for stayers produced a vintage display of race riding by Steve Cauthen on Witness Box.

reaction to the sale of Paul With Further Flight, the 15held up, Cauthen deliberately set a sedate pace in front on Witness Box. Michael Hills, who is arguably riding better than at any time during his career, had to sit and suffer on

> from home. Further Flight went in pursuit on ground firmer than he likes and in a thrilling finish he got his head in front on the line. The short head victory was further evidence of the revival in the fortunes of Barry Hills, whose season has been a nightmare due to his horses

> being so ill.... "It's gone on for five months and there were times you didn't know where you were. Some horses seemed all right at home but it was a different matter on the racecourse when they went at racing speed. There was something deep

They were genuinely sick."
Pursuit Of Love has been a model of consistency this summer and ran to his best when accelerating past Prince Ferdi-nand in the Kiveton Park Stakes to gain revenge for his defeat in the Jersey Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Gredley ··· looks

By RICHARD EVANS

at the mercy of the elements in his attempt at St Leger glory with User Friendly. With the ground drying out

In an ironic twist which will no doubt amuse the environment conscious Gredley, his

engagement to the St Leger.

money back in the Arc."
The fast condition of the

Cavell and Paul Richardson to Redbridge Forest and the failure to launch a much-Malkinson, who owns an entertainment hall in the town, was drawn to the club by his uncle. Sidney, who is still on the board at the age of home a furlong and a half

"We've had a complete fresh start," he said. "Over the years at Boston, we've never achieved what we should have done. There's a new manager

"It's always a gamble when

billy-o" and financed the redevelopment of the ground. "Should we be fortunate enough to reach Football League standard, we would have very little to do."

"It might not be a newlybuilt stadium, but then I

slog in the FA Cup at home to their old rivals, King's Lynn,

best hope seems to hinge on

decision about turning on the applied the "with a run" proviso to User Friendly, and

Clive Brittain, User Friend-ly's trainer, will walk the course this morning but said yesterday: "User Friendly would not have run today. We are worried about hurting the cannot abuse a filly of her

8 on favourite, needing to be Further Flight and wait before Cauthen suddenly sprinted for

down that was affecting them and they were violently ill.

Lord Howard de Walden's home bred will now go for the Prix de la Foret and, possibly. the Breeders' Cup Mile before being retired to the owner's Plantation Stud in Newmarket:

Why skill now rules as the best frozen asset

Andy Martin on this weekend's return to Britain of the ice hockey bruisers who will no longer be able to skate round the regulations

THE ice hockey equivalent of the "man bites dog" story beloved of sensation-hungry journalists is: "In yesterday's match between the Saskatchewan Sadists and the Vancouver Vandals, a mass brawl did not break out, nobody mistook his stick for a shillelagh, and grievous bodily harm was not committed." Umberto Eco could have included Non-Violent Ice Hockey alongside Nomadic Urban Planning and The History of Antarctic Agriculture in his list of oxymoronic book titles in Foucault's Pendulum.

But this weekend could see a

contradiction in terms become reality in the Molson Challenge two-game series at Wembley Arena between the Montreal Canadiens and Chicago Blackhawks, when the National Hockey League (NHL) returns to this country after a gap of 33 years, brandishing a new rule book. Recent rule changes are designed to cut down on what is euphemistically referred to fights will be sent off, not just binned briefly, and "stick work" — otherwise known as slashing, hooking and generally beating your opponent to a pulp — is outlawed. In an additional symbolic gesture, helmets will no longer be

giving mine away yet.
This time all that has changed is that the fights have broken out before the match. If "Yanks (or Canucks) go home" banners appear outside Wembley they are likely to be the work of the British Ice Hockey Association (BIHA), which looks upon the arrival of the NHL and its attendant azzmatazz — pop bands and

SCHOOLS RUGBY

Durham get

away to

flying start

started the new season where

they left off with the old - in

emphatic winning style. Un-beaten at first and second XV

level last season and holders of

the school team-of-the-year

award, their first victims were

King's School, Tynemouth,

In the process Durham ran

in 11 tries, five scored by Dan

Sullivan, the wing. Durham have 19 players left from last

season's two successful teams,

but have lost the second-row

forward, Gareth Archer, who

was an England 18-group

player. He has opted, after a

year in the sixth form, to take

up a joinery apprenticeship.

That still leaves the school

with three internationals from

the England 16-group; the scrum half. Philip Harvey.

and Jeffrey Roberts and Noel Shearing, both flankers.

The school has just re-turned from a tour of South

Africa, where four games

were won and one drawn from eight fixtures. The les-

son from that trip was that the

new rules will certainly make

for fast, open rugby," Nick

Willings, the master in

Another school to draw

strong conclusions about the

revised laws was KCS, Wim-

bledon. They went on a joint

rugby and rowing trip to New

Zealand, and lost five out of six

domestic programme with a game against Tiffin a week

tomorrow but retain only a handful of players from the

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touring party.

change, said.

who were beaten 65-6.

compulsory. But if I were an

ice hockey player I wouldn't be

hospitality girls in red hats with about as much enthusiasm as Dad's Army must have

regarded doodle-bugs. Fearing this weekend may portend a full-scale invasion. the BIHA has ruled against any fraternising with the enemy by banning the Bracknell Bumblebees from a youth coaching clinic with the visitors, under pain of excommunication.

There is a theory that the demon drink is at the root of bley matches are sponsored by Molson, a Canadian brewer (which also owns the Montreal team), the fairy godfather of the British league is Heineken. When the men in suits fronting the two teams say that is to "sell our product around the world" and to "penetrate the market", it is hard to tell if they're talking about ice hockey or beer. Probably both.

When ice hockey began in Canada in the nineteenth century it was a rather genteel game, like croquet on ice, but it soon developed into a Darwinian exercise in the survival of the fittest. Now, when the argot of the game - "spearing" "boarding", "but end-ing" and "flashing" — is largely to do with what hap-pens when two fully grown men smash into one another like dodgem cars, it can look to the uninitiated like wrestling

There was a period in the Seventies, dominated by the Philadelphia Flyers, when pure intimidation could win games. Under the reign of some of the old owners, ice hockey teams were virtually a branch of organised crime. And there is still at least one heavy on every team, known

TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

IN NEW YORK

TWO down and one to go,

Jim Courier reflected after he

had reached the semi-finals of

the US Open for the second

year in succession. Having

already disposed of the past

and the present, in the forms

of John McEnroe and Andre

Agassi, the top seed faces his

third American, Pete Samp-

Therein lies the main dan-

ger for Courier, who could find he has expended all his

emotional and physical energy

in winning the American sec-

tion of the tournament and

have nothing left to offer in the

final on Sunday. There was an

element of that last year, when

he beat Sampras and Connors

but fell horribly flat against an inspired Stefan Edberg in the

First, though, he has to beat

Sampras, an old friend but

ras, tomorrow.

Seeing stars: Grimson, second right, and young supporters watch J-J Daigneault, of the Canadiens, practise his shooting at Alexandra Palace whose job it is to act as minder players, and make mincemeat out of anybody who looks at

When the Canadiens took the Stanley Cup from the Flyers and won it for four straight years in the second half of the Seventies, they single-handedly shifted the emphasis from brutality to skill. The whole point of the rule changes is to encourage

mined_to_make_up_for_his

spineless showing 12 months

an expert in the art of psychol-

ogy, launched the first shot

across the Californian's bows

immediately after his 6-3, 6-7,

6-1, 6-4 victory over Agassi.

"Pete said that the match last

year here was the worst he had

ever played. Let's hope this will be the second worst," the

world No. 1 said with a half-

smile. In other words, he gave me no credit for that beating,

maybe he will for this one.

Who knows, though, what

mental byplay passes between

the trio of Americans, who

have been competing against each other from their junior

days?
Courier has certainly estab-

lished a domination over

Agassi which the Wimbledon

champion will find increas-

ingly hard to throw off. Agassi

might, in the words of Barbra

CBS producer from Canada who once coached a girls ice hockey team, says the NHL is treading a fine line. They're trying to cut down on the fighting, but they can't cut it out, because in LA that's what the crowds go to see. On the other hand, that's why people don't take it seriously

Traditionally, ice hockey players were ungentle giants who, apart from pausing to eat cow pie and terrorise passing

most celebrated fan, be_the

"Zen Master" of tennis, but

Courier, more motorcyle me-

chanic than Zen Master, is

altogether too formidable a

Prompted perhaps by the

imposing presence of Arnold

Schwarzenegger at the side of

the court — there was no sign

of Streisand, it should be

noted — Agassi's response to his fifth successive defeat by

his former room-mate at the

Nick Bollettieri Academy was

a promise to return fitter and

Yet he did not lose the

match through lack of fitness

or, except on service, through

lack of power, but because he

was drawn into a game of heavy hitting which he was always destined to lose.

In fact, in the face of serving

almost as ferocious as Goran

Ivanisevic's at Wimbledon,

Agassi did well to survive for

three hours and 47 minutes.

stronger for next time.

force at the top of his form.

Beaten finalist serves notice of intent at US Open

Courier's power cuts way

past Agassi's defences

else but play hockey. Now they are slim college graduates with law degrees and MBAs. The best teams — and Montreal and Chicago are among the best in the world - are a subtle blend of brawn and brainpower

The Blackhawks number among their ranks both Stu Grimson, nicknamed "the Grim Reaper" and touted as the most physical player in the league, and Jeremy, Ronik, who is the good-looking, artic-ulate Gary Lineker of the

points - one a volley error by

Courier, the other two exqui-

site touch volleys befitting a

Wimbledon champion - to

level the match in the tie-

break, and had he managed to

convert one of three break

points at 4-4 in the fourth set

of a match crackling with

intensity and anticipation, the odds might even have swung back in his favour. Courier,

who did not have the energy to

lift his bag off the court at the

end, was beginning to look the

22 aces sealed Agassi's fate

this time, though the Las

Vegan suggested that this was

just one battle in what may

prove a long war. "I'm here for

another ten years and I'm sure Jim is, too," Agassi said. "With

Jim, you need to be able to rise

to the occasion physically on

every ball. But somewhere

along the line he got stronger

than me." He also has a better

level of concentration, re-

sponding to the disappoint-ment of the tie-break by

winning the next five games.

and, to some extent, styles,

natural successors to Connors

and McEnroe, though the

rivalry only spilled over into

bad temper once, when Agassi

was given a code violation for

racket abuse in the second set.

Certainly, not one of the

20,000 spectators whose pas-

sion filled the New York night

spared a thought for the past.

"We are contrasting people and we play off each other," Courier said. But Courier, the

third grand slam title of the

year now firmly in his sights, is

the master of the moment.

Agassi and Courier are the

In the clash of personalities

The last three of Courier's

more drained of the two.

NHL In training at Alexandra Palace, the Canadiens seemed to embody a potted history of the species, running the gamut from hairy cavemen with clubs through to the nimble avant-garde intellectuals of the future.

From a distance, with their clothes on, Todd Ewen and Denis Savard look similarly imposing. But Savard wears several layers of gear to achieve the effect: body armour to protect legs, shoulders and chest, topped off by shirt

ers. Ewen, on the other hand, does not really need all the padding; he looks like that anyway. And he does not bother with a helmet either. A body-check from him would feel like being hit by a beer

The Molson Challenge promises to be a classic study in the eternal struggle between strength and strategy, force

is a slight man, a nippy winger

who can shimmy past-defend-

under Dave Cusack last sea-

son but the average support

fell by 200 to 1,186 in

needed FA Cup run.

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Ambitious Boston

relying on Morris PUSH through the turnstiles believes he has done the right

as good as any in the GM Vauxhall Conference. Finding a team to match has been the club's perennial problem.

When, in the 43rd minute of Wednesday night's match against Wycombe Wanderers, Hamish Curtis, a central defender, headed a back pass that rolled cruelly past Paul Bastock, the goalkeeper, to make it 3-0, the sorry spectacle shouted of the work in store for Peter Morris, the

club's new manager.
While purposeful Wyoombe, whose other goals had been struck from outside the penalty area with deadly precision by Steve Thompson, showed the benefits of a wellsettled side, Boston's players clearly betrayed their unfa-miliarity with one another, reflected in their worst Conference start of one point

from their first six matches.

years they came second, fourth and fifth.

ble to replace. Pat Malkinson, the chairman for the past eight years,

Morris is relying on a method successfully tried in four years at Kettering Town of ripping apart and reassembling sides. Last season Ket-tering started stickily but finished third; the previous

He returned to Rockingham Road to collect Bastock, Trevor Slack and Darren Bloodworth, both defenders, and Jon Graham, a forward, as well as Ernie Moss, his coach. David Cork, Drew Coverdale and Les McJannet were all signed from Darlington. Absent, because of injury, is Gary Jones, who scored 32 goals for Boston last season. So far, he has proved impossi-

and only two or three players left from the old squad. I'm still walking round the club saying to players 'hello young man' because I cannot remember their names. you start afresh, but the

manager will get it right, his pedigree is impeccable." The advice of Bill Pearce, of Plymouth Argyle, helped Boston set up two lotteries in the late 1970s that Malkinson remembers "made money like

Malkinson said.

think a lot of them look as if they were part of a Subbuteo set, a bit impersonal. It's different on all four sides. It's actually very, very pretty." Boston begin the qualifying

US unless stated Men's singles Quarter-finals J Couner bt A Agassi, 6-3, 6-7, 6-1, 6-4.

J Grabb and R Reneberg bt N Borwick and S Yout (Aus), 6-4, 7-6, 6-3; J McEnroe and M Sboh (Ger) bt S Casal and E Sánchez (Sp), 6-7, 6-3, 6-7, 7-6, K Jones and R Leach bt T Woodbridge and M Woodforde (Aus), 7-6, 7-6, 6-2.

"The beauty of rugby was that there used to be a place in Women's singles the team for all shapes of player," Simon Williams, the M Mateeva-Fragnière (Switz) bt M Maleeva (Bul), 6-2, 5-9 ret. master in charge of rugby. said. "Now it looks as if the Women's doubles Quarter-finals game will be dominated by the J Novotna (Cz) and L Savohenko-Neiland (CiS) bt M J Fernandez and Z Garrison, 1-6, 6-4, 7-6, M Navratilove big, fast boys." King's College open their

RESULTS

Mixed doubles Cuarter-finals H Sukova (Cz) and T Nijssen (Holl) bt Z Genison and R Leach, 6-4, 6-4

4, 6-3.
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Suresphore (US) bt S-A Soddall (GB), 4-6,
7-5, 6-2; L Woodroffe (GB) bt C Cretea
(Rom), 6-2, 6-7, 6-4.
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and A Warnwright (GB) bt B Berns and C
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and L Horn (SA), 6-3, 6-1, 1 Public and L
Woodroffe (GB) bt M Bernard and V Webb
(Can), 7-8, 4-6, 7-5.
BOYS: SNGLES: Second round: A
Richardson (GB) bt J Vissapo (P Rico), 6-3,
6-3





POLO

Moreno goal decisive for Art Scene

By JOHN WATSON

Guards' club's Autumn League at Smith's Lawn yesterday Art Scene beat Bethungra Park (received 1½), 7-62. Palmera beat Azurra, 4-2, and Stilemans (received 14) beat Saracens, 62-6.

The Art Scene squad, centred on the close South American partnership of Pancho Marin-Moreno and Rodolfo Ducos, overhauled Bethungra's substantial handicap start in their first chukka. But with Bethungra, staunchly pivoted on Oliver Ellis, making the most effective attacks in the second, they

WITH the resumption of the were back in the lead by halftime. A goal from Moreno in the third then gave Art Scene an advantage which they kept through to the last bell. In the Palmera-Azurra duel

the Wood and Hipwood combination made a Palmera win look fairly certain from the beginning. Stilemans, who have been suffering such ill-luck at Cowdray Park this month,

seemed to be on peak form

yesterday. Their patron, Geof-

frey Lawson, played one of his

best games and Martin Glue

was superb at back. The

Saracens' No. 3, the Austra-

victory. ART SCENE: 1, B Hooke (1); 2, Fl Ducos (5), 3, P Marin-Moreno (5); back, W Hine (3), BETHUNGRA PARK: 1, I Edgar (4), 2, P Haydan (3), 3, O Silis (5); back, C Murphy

lian, Derek Reid, who scored all six of his side's goals, looked cheaply handicapped and put the team half a goal ahead in the last chukka. but, just in time, Robert Graham found the Saracens' flags again to render Stilemans the

(0). PALMERA: 1, S Dukes (1); 2, H Hipwood (9); 3, R Wood (5); back. Sheikh Alhemrani PALMENT : 1, 5 back. Shelith Albertrand (0): 3, R Wood (5); back. Shelith Albertrand (0): 3, M Zimermann (6); back. A Perrott (4): 5TILEMANS: 1, G Lawson (1), 2, W Heeley (5): 3, R Graham (4), back, M Glud (5): SARACENS: 1, T Steinamer (3), 2, R Metthews (5), 3, D Reld (6); back J Green-Armstone (1).

By JOHN GOODBODY THE British Olympic Associ-

ation (BOA) is investigating reports of unsatisfactory accommodation and transport for British supporters at the Olympic Games, after a series of complaints about the activities of Sportsworld, the official

travel agency.
Sir Arthur Gold, the BOA chairman, said yesterday that he had already acknowledged between 12 and 20 letters. The BOA officers are in consultation with Sportsworld and both are taking it very seriously. Sportsworld is look-

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advise the BOA and all the people, who have written letters, he said.

OLYMPIC GAMES

BOA to investigate Barcelona complaints

The company has been the sole official ticket and tour operator for the last four Games, and Gold described it as "having given sport sterling service in the past".

About 120 supporters were so angry about the accommodation and transport in Barcelong that they formed an action group, which demanded that the BOA should hold an enquiry and reassess its policy of appointing a sole agent for such an important

Gold pointed out that this

was not the BOA's decision. "It was done on the insistence of the International Olympic Committee and the Barcelona organisers, since one agency

simplifies their task." Perhaps the BOA will consider employing its own ticketing manager, as the Football Association does for the World Cup, who could sell tickets direct to the 6.000 supporters expected to go to Atlanta, with a surcharge for service going to the BOA Appeal. Supporters could then arrange their own accommodation and

Most of the problems were caused by the unavailability of

travel.

which forced Sportsworld to find accommodation sometimes more than 60 miles away. The Spanish authorities did not honour a pledge to provide regular late-night Although some supporters

found they were paying almost twice what other British holiday-makers were being charged in the same hotels, Sportsworld has said it needed to contract thousands of beds up to 18 months before the event, whereas Britons in the same hotels were often on lateavailability discounted package holidays.

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3.40 ASTRUST SELECT STAKES (Group 3: £18,350: 1m 2) BBG2

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Petardia to launch rich long-range double for Wragg

GEOFFREY Wragg, the as-tute Newmarket trainer, can take the two feature events of the afternoon with Petardia in the Laurent-Perrier Champagne Stakes at Doncaster and Jeune in the Abtrust Select Stakes at Goodwood.

reas shares by

Petardia, the impressive winner of the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot, was a bitter disappointment last time out when last of eight to Splendent in the Gimerack Stakes at

Wragg believes the poor performance was due to the colt suffering from sore shins and since York the Petong colt has shown his well-being on

the Newmarket gallops.

I expect the biggest threat today to come from the Richard Hannon-trained Right Win. Before winning at Newmarket in excellent style from Wathik, he was not disgraced when runner-up to Wharf, who went on to win the July

Also, his recent defeat by the much-heralded Tenby at Newbury cannot detract from his chance today.

White Crown, the winner of group three Solario Stakes at Sandown, is an improving individual. However, on a form line through Ardkinglass, to whom he was runnerup at Newmarket in July. Petardia is the superior. In the Coventry Stakes, Ardkinglass could finish only fourth to

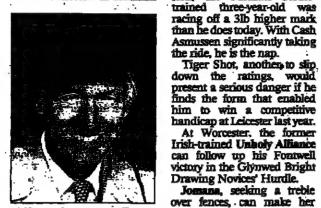
Barry Hills can take the Troy Stakes for the second year running with Besotted, who can emulate Surrealist. At

Nottingham last time out the Shirley Heights filly was unlucky in running when beaten a head by Tapis Rouge, hav-ing been denied a clear run.

Previously, she was an impressive two-length winner over Mr. Flood at Bath. Anchorite, who boasts the best form, would be a danger at his best but he seems incapable of seeing out his races.

A more serious challenger appears to be the improving Kasmayo, the facile winner of a three-runner apprentice contest at York last weeck.

At Goodwood, Jeune, the impressive winner of last Saturday's BonusPrint September Stakes, makes a significantly swift reappear-ance in the Select Stakes. The three-year-old has the class to take this ten-furlong contest, but his chances will diminish



Wragg: boasts excellent chances at two courses

Selkirk is favourite for Ascot feature

THE Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, a race made in heaven if there ever was one, yesterday saw last year's winner, Selkirk, installed as favourite (Richard Evans writes).

If the going becomes soft,

Goofalik, from John Ham-

mond's Chanfilly yard, will be

a serious threat. At Vichy,

Goofalik returned to form

when beating Tel Quel, the winner of last year's Champi-

Paul Cole looks to have the

answer in the Stardom Stakes with the uniquenten Woodchat. Despite winning by only a head from Salatin in the

Acomb Stakes at York, the colt

looked to have quite a bit in

reserve. The quality of that seven-furlong contest cannot be faulted as five of his seven

rivals were all winners of their

previous outing.

Fit On Time, a fast-finish-

ing second over a mile to Stairway To Heaven at Thirsk

last time out, should appreciate the extra furlong of the

Country Gentleman's Associ-

ation Handicap. On that occa-

sion, the Michael Stoute-

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experience tell in the Trident

(Listed race: 3-Y-0: £8,975: 1m 4f) (6 runners)

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The line up for the show-piece of Ascot's Festival of pace of Ascor's Pestival of Racing on September 26 sees the classification of milers represented by Rodrigo De Issailo, the 2,000 Guineas winner. Sind Marling the Frish 1,000 Guineas and Susser Stilles winner. They will take on the best older horses, led by Selkirk and the American-trained Fourstars Allstar. Arazi, the top two-year-old in the world last year, Brief Truce, successful in the St

All At Sea, last Sunday's Prix du Moulin victor, are also likely runners along with Lahib, Second Set and Alnage

lan Balding said yesterday; that Selkirk had thrived since his impressive success at Goodwood last month. "The line-up is great news. The premier race at the festival deserves the top borses taking each other on. We just want something in there to go a good gallop so we do not get a false result."

Corals and Lasbrokes have installed Selkirk as favourite at 11-4 and 3-1 respectively, while William Hill have him joint-favourite at 100-30 with

Marting.
The best prices available are: 100-30 Selkirk, 4-1
Marting, 9-2 Rodrigo De Triano, 7-1 Arazi, All At Sea and Second Set, 8-1 Brief Truce, 16-1 Lahib and Alnasr Alwasheek, 20-1 others.

MANDARIN THUNDERER 2.10 Green Lane. 2.10 Papperteur. 2.40 Woodshitt. 2.40 Fub strate 3.10 FIT ON TIME (hep). 3.10 Roseste Ledge. 3.40 Jeune. 3.40 Jeone. 4.10 Barahin. 4.10 Barahin. 4.45 Salinger. 4.45 Lucky Noire. 5.20 Rain Brother 5.20 Rain Brother. RICHARD EVANS: 2.10 SHERINGA (nap). Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.40 Blush Rambler, 3.40 Jeune. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.40 WOODCHAT.

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2.40 STANDOM STANES (Listed Race: 2-Y-G: £11,355: 1m) (4) 221 BLUSH RAMBERT 11 (B) (Shalish Maharasand) in Shalish (1) 11341 PUTUNBALLA 19 (C.S.F.R.S) (B halis) J Daving G-11 (B ha 1981: SEATTLE RIVING 8-11 Par Edday (Exces len) D Essenti 5 per FORM FOCUS

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at Longchamp after the news that Pistolet Bleu, generally

quoted as second favourite, is likely to miss the race on Ladbrokes then bet: 8-1 Jolypha, Subotica, Dr Devious, 10-1 Magic Night, 12-1 User Friendly, 16-1 Saddler's

ST JOVITE is down to Evens

favourite with Ladbrokes for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe

Elie Lellouche, Pistolet Bleu's trainer, confirmed that the colt would miss the Prix Foy at Longchamp on Sunday. "He is on the injury list." Lellouche said. "I do not know if he will be fit for the Arc." Pistolet Bleu last ran on July

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5, when he was a fluent winner of the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, beating Magic Night by five lengths with

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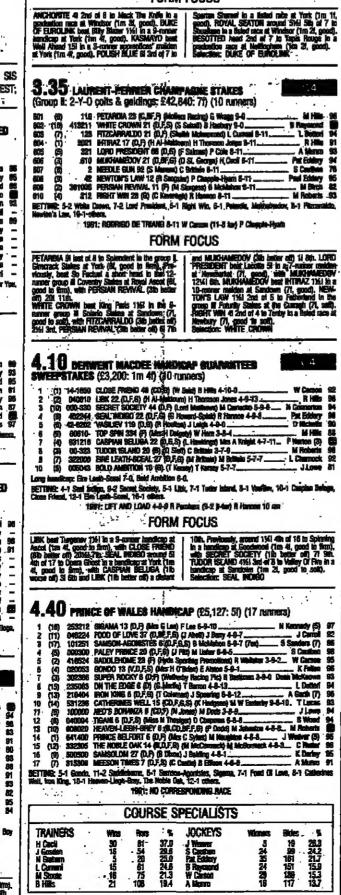
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Nottinghamshire strike back for splendid victory

TRENT BRIDGE (final day of four): Nottinghamshire (23 pts) beat Surrey (5) by five

THE Nottinghamshire endof-season party on Wednesday night was either a fairly dull affair or the players possess remarkable resilience. In any event, they emerged from the pavilion yesterday morning full of purpose after a dismal previous day, which had found Surrey's position so restored as to be 227 runs ahead with five wickets left.

However, they rolled over Surrey for the addition of only 34 more runs and, left with 262 for victory and 84 overs in which to achieve it, came home with 15 balls to spare. Notinghamshire now sit in

fourth place in the champion-ship, only a breath behind Northamptonshire. The two players who were there at the end - Tim Robinson and Chris Lewis - both had a giant share in an unlikely win. Lewis scythed through the Surrey tail, reaping six wickets for 90 in the innings and ten for 155 in the match.

In all Robinson batted for four and a half hours for his undefeated 129. His innings was the cornerstone of Nottinghamshire's effort during which Archer, their young discovery, who made a century in the previous match against Derbyshire, played a noble



tinghamshire had stumbled to 39 for three, Archer lent the occasion. When he played on to Bryson, he had made 66, his stand with Robinson was worth 132 and the game had turned the way of his team.

Surrey's misfortune at losing Martin Bicknell with hamstring trouble after he had taken two prime wickets cannot be overstated, but the salient feature of the last act of a match full of twists and turns was the way in which Surrey were rushed out in the

The chances of Notting-hamshire winning this match after Surrey's resurgence on Wednesday were slim to say the least, but we had reckoned without a rejuvenated Lewis. Where he had been lethargic.

urgency. In 39 balls he took four wickets for 17 runs. The third over of the day

saw Bramhall confirm his promise as a more than ade-French. He took a low catch behind the stumps to get rid of Feltham. Four overs later, Bicknell went the same way, but to an even better catch; and by the time he had yorked Lewis was well into his stride and Surrey had lost three wickets in adding only 23

The only hindrance to Lew is's triumphal march - interrupted briefly by Cairns, who had Bryson caught on the boundary, at deep point of all places - was the courageous, well-organised batting of Brown, the young man who has all Surrey talking in glowing terms. By the time Boiling's short appearance had been ended by Lewis Surrey had lost all five remaining wickets for only 34 runs and Brown had made 30 of

His undefeated 50, spanning a gloomy evening and a disastrous morning, was made from 82 balls with scarcely a false stroke. It was easy to see why his brief career has already produced three centuries, one of them against Nottinghamshire in July. But after Surrey's plucky play on Wednesday, the team as a whole must have been sick at



Foster stays on to coach Kent

By Ivo Tennant

CANTERBURY (final day of four): Glamorgan (21 pts) beat

IF, NEXT week, Kent fail to become championship runners-up, they will rue two of their three defeats this season. Twice they should have beaten Glamorgan and twice they lost through abject batting. Yesterday, there was a degree of world-weariness about their game, so it is as well that Daryl Foster is to remain their coach for the next five years.

For their part, Glamorgan ensured they would not finish bottom of the table. After being 125 for nine on the first day, their victory was quite something. The batting of Cottey and Richards was the overriding reason for the marked improvement in their cricket but there was more to it

Last month, they gave a debut at Derby to Darren Thomas, a stocky seamer on the quick side of medium. His return was five for 80.

Here, he improved on that. having five bassmen out for 79 through moving the ball away from the right-hander and, for all his lack of height (5ft 8in), obtaining some lift in addition.

The wickets were all taken yesterday. Benson, whose normal method of leaving the ball is not to shoulder arms but to play inside the line, hence giving the impression that he stump, for once favoured convention. He was still taking his bat out of the way when he

overnight 41 and, when Kent's target of 329 was starting to look unattainable. Only Davis, the nightwatchman, played correctly for long before Thomas beat him with the perfect leg-cutter.

Thomas's next ball was shorter and wide. For Fleming, the very idea of playing inside any line is not to be countenanced. His square cut was top-edged to third man, where Watkin held a nicely judged catch, running ten yards to his left. Ealham and McCague did manage to add 46 in seven overs but the

match was lost by now. Thus the position of runners-up will not be settled until the last day of the season. Kent go to Edghaston, where they will need all of Foster's renowned motivation. It was announced yesterday that he will stay as their coach and cricket manager for at least the next five years. Benson, the Kent captain, was highly

Foster came to Kent last year, following great success with Western Australia, on the recommendation of John Inverarity, who had much to do with Kent finishing runners-up in 1988. Dennis Lillee also spoke highly of him. so he had enviable credentials. He has made all the difference to Kent over the last two

Ranatunga's milestone

Moratuwa: Arjuna Ranatunga became the first Sri Lankan to complete 2.000 Test runs as he defied Australia on a rain-affected third day of their third Test here. His unbroken 99-run partnership with the wicketkeeper. Tillekeratne, took Sri Lanka to 215 for four, which left them 122 in arrears.

Heavy rain washed out the first four hours but after the groundstaff had used buckets to remove water from flooded sections of the outfield, the weather relented sufficiently for 30 overs to be bowled in the final session.

Ranatunga, 28, the sole survivor of the team that played in Sri Lanka's first Test against England ten years ago, has made three centuries in a career spanning 36 Tests. His 2,000th run was a pushed single off Warne, the leg spinner, who had Tillekeratne dropped by Healy when he had scored 40.

Tillekeratne went on to complete his second Test halfcentury by hitting two fours in an over from Matthews, who otherwise gave little away and was the pick of the bowlers, despite being handicapped by the wet ball.

Ranatunga, dropped at slip by Mark Taylor off Manhews when ten, was 45 not out at the close. The partnership is a fifth-wicket record for Sri Lanka against Australia, surpassing the 96 added by Ranatunga and Duleep Mendis against Greg Chappell's 1983 side. (AFP)



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LORD'S (third day of four): Middlesex, with four secondinnings wickets in hand, are 30 runs ahead of

By RICHARD STREETON

KEITH Brown was on the brink of his first hundred this season at the close yesterday, after Warwickshire met seemed likely when Middlesex followed on 275 runs behind. Almost everyone sold their wicket dearly, though barring intervention by the weather, Warwickshire should win today with time to spare.

Brown showed great determination for just over three hours as he made 95 not out. with a six and 11 fours among his strokes, and was primarily responsible for making certain that Middlesex took the match into its final day.

Brown set up camp half an hour before tea at a point when the innings was in danger of subsiding. Emburey, in his most obstinate mood, stayed with him through 28 overs at the end as 80 were added before, in Donald's final over, he lifted a catch to mid-on from his first poor stroke.

After Haynes had retired at 16 with a ricked neck in the seventh over, it was Gatting and Roseberry, who were the first to suggest that it was possible to resist on a worn pitch. They confirmed that it had not deteriorated enough to explain completely the Middlesex first innings collapse on the previous evening.

The odd ball from Smith and Lloyd, the off spinners. kept horribly low. Gatting and Roseberry, though, chose the right ball to hit through the gaps as Warwickshire kept attacking fields all afternoon. Warwickshire did not break through until Small returned and in his first over dismissed with consecutive balls.

Roseberry was leg-before to one that kept low. Ramprakash got a brute that lifted and left him and was caught behind. Carr settled in confidently before Donald raised the spectre of a threeday finish with a telling spell. Donald, when he pulls out the

stops, is one of the game's

most compelling sights. He is carefully nursed but has still bowled around 550 overs this

He ran to extra cover to take the catch himself when Gatting, having made 71, failed to get hold of a short-armed pull. Carr played loosely against another extremely quick ball and Moles held the catch two-handed above his

Gatting batted two hours 40 minutes and hit 12 fours and needs 47 in Middlesex's last match this weekend against Surrey to reach 2,000 runs for short of the same milestone.

Haynes returned when Carr was out and lingered for 14 overs until Munton held a fine slip catch to dismiss him.

Essex hit 440 to complete rousing revival

Brown gives lesson in resolution

ESSEX achieved the thirdhighest fourth-innings score made to win a county championship match when they beat Derbyshire by four wickets at Derby yesterday. Graham Gooch leading them home with an unbeaten 123, the 98th century of his career (Geoffrey Wheeler writes). The champions, who had

been left 440 after being bowled out for 96 in their first innings, began the final day at 283 for five and lost only one more wicket, that of Mike Garnham, who made 66 of a crucial partnership of 129 with Gooch. Derek Pringle kept the England captain company while the last 84 runs were whittled away.

It was not one of Gooch's more aggressive innings, for he was in for 373 minutes and hit only 12 fours. But he scarcely played a false stroke, underlining his own competitiveness and that of his team.

"A top-drawer perfor-mance," was how Gooch described a remarkable recovery. "Once we had gone for 96 I think that made us more determined second time around. It was very satisfying and was as good as anything I can remember in my time with Essex." The Derbyshire captain,

Kim Barnett, said: "They are the only team who could pull off a victory like that because they are so disciplined and are used to winning." Derbyshire's cause was hampered by injuries to the West Indian fast bowler, Ian Bishop, who was struggling with shin and Achilles tendon problems, and Dominic Cork, who left the field with a back spasm. But with Gooch, who made 53 in the first innings, exercising such control, it appeared that Essex could have scored

500 if necessary. held by Middlesex, who scored 502 for six at Trent Bridge in 1925. In 1990, Hampshire made 446 for eight to beat Gloucestershire at Southampton and last year, at Hove, Sussex scored 436 to force a tie with Kent. ☐ Kenneth Benjamin, 25, the West Indian fast bowler from the Leeward Islands, has signed for Worcestershire as



Britannic Assurance county championship

Derbys v Essex

DERBY (final day of four): Essex (20pts) beat Derbyshire (5) by four wickets DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 225 (T J G O'Gorman 64, C J Adams 60: D R Pringle

ESSEX: First Innings 96 (G A Goodh 53; I R Bishop 6 for 18) Second Innings N V Kright low b Bishop ... J P Stephenson b Malcolm B Lawis to Warner D R Pringle not out Equas (0 14, 10 14, w 3, nb 11) 42

Total (5 wkts) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-66, 3-85, 4-173, 5-229, 6-358. BOWLING. Malcolm 35-8-90-1; Mortansen 40-12-88-0, Cork 28-8-60-2; Warner 40.4-8-101-2; Bishop 18-4-39-1; Adams 15-1-40-0; Barnett 6-1-16-0.

Umpires: V A Holder and R Palmer, **Notts v Surrey**

THENT BRIDGE (final day of four): Noti-inghamshire (23pts) best Surrey (5) by five wickets SURREY: First Innings 207 (R E Bryster 76; C C Lewis 4 for 65) Second Innings D J Bicknell c and b Calms
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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-177, 3-199, 4-337, 5-378, 6-386, 7-398, 8-400, 9-409. BOWLING. Leavis 32.44-90-8; Pernett 14-2-50-0; Colons 31-4-110-2; Evenu 25-3-78-1; Astord 31-15-54-0; Crawley 9-4-11-1.

NOTTINGHAMSHIPE: First Innings 357 (K P Evens 104, C C Lewis 52, M P Elchnell 5 for 89) Second Irnings

Extres (b 1, b 8, rb 8) ... Total (5 wids) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-30, 3-39, 4-171, 5-211.

BOMLING: M P Bicknell 14-5-24-2; Bryson 21-2-82-1; Faltham 15-2-47-1; Kandnek 21.3-7-64-1; Bolling 10-1-36-0. Umpires: A.A. Jones and B Leadbeater.

Kent v Glamorgan

CANTERBURY (finel day of four): Glamor-gan (21pts) best Kent (6) by 86 runs GLAMORGAN: First Irvings 158 (A P ond innings 398 (P.A.Cottay 141, IVA hards 76, A. Dele 50; M.V. Fleming KENT: First Innings 219 (N R Taylor 74, S

C L Hooper c Monts b Walkin G R Cowdroy b Barwick M V Flerring c Waskin b Thomas †S A Mersh c Meynard b Barwick ... M A Ealhern c Maynard b Thomas . Stree (0 5, to 6, nb 2)

Total _______242 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-83, 2-112, 3-126, 4-136, 5-144, 6-144, 7-165, 8-189, 9-235. BOWLING: Watch 20-4-60-1, Thomas 19-1-79-5; Berwick 15-4-29-2; Craft 14-6-28-1; Dale 13-6-35-1. Umplem: J.C. Balderstone and R.C. Tolchard.

Middx v Warwicks LORO'S (third day of four): Middlesex, with four second-imings wickets in hand, are 30 runs shead of Warwickshire WARWICKSHERE: First knings 476 (T L Pennsy 151, R G Twose 84, K J Piper 72)

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BOWLING: Doneld 8-0-53-0; Small 8-1-20-0; Smith 21-8-61-5; Reeve 14-8-12-1; Munior: 15-3-36-1; Lloyd 7.2-1-7-3.

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Metronome sets exacting pace in Burghley dressage

By JENNY MACARTHUR

PIPPA Noian, the national champion, took the overnight lead on Ruth McMullen's Metronome at the end of the first day of dressage at the Burghley Remy Martin Horse Trials yesterday. Nolan, who is having a superb season. produced an accurate and lowing test on her nine-yearold Bramham winner to finish just shead of the Frenchman. Didier Courreges, on the im-

pressive Robin des Bois V. Paddy Muir, who was fifth at Burghley in 1988 on her former top horse, Barnabus Brown, is lying third on the home-bred, Archie Brown. The last to go yesterday, their annactive test was marred only by two mistakes in the

Nolan, aged 23, has always had a high opinion of Metro-nome, despite one or two etbacks. Bred by her trainer, McMullen, in Norfolk she started tiding him as a fouryear-old. A slow clear round at Burghley last year was followed by two run-outs at Badminton in May. It all came right at Bramham in June - where Nolan gained her first three-day-event win but at Gatcombe last month he was retired after a mistake at the Land Rover fence.

"He likes big galloping fences," Nolan said yesterday, but I am determined to prove that he is capable of going clear again round the course I've just got to be switched on all the time and really

Mark Phillips's 30-fence cross-country course has earned considerable respect from the riders. Blyth Tait, the world champion who does his dressage on Delta today, said: "It's the biggest Burghley I've seen - it's also very technical. The Sunken Road (fence 17) and first trout hatchery (fence

11) look particularly difficult." Muir, whose horse is only eight - but completed Badminton in the spring - will take the long route at the first water complex. "It's a difficult suspicious of it." Phillips, who builds courses all over the world, is anxious to see whether he has got the formula right. "There are so many things to be considered when you build a course - particu-

larly the safety aspect. "Eventing in the United States could be stopped within a week by the animal welfare lobby if there was a severe course which caused undue stress. It's a question of getting the right balance."

He expects only two or three of the 77 starters to complete the course within the optimum several of the favourites, inchiding Lucinda Green with Up River doing their dressage today, the pecking order is likely to be reshuffled before the speed and endurance

Fine debut by Charles

Calgary: European riders dominated the opening day of the Spruce Meadows Masters here with Ireland's Peter Charles and Britain's John Whitaker recording impressive victories (a Special Correspondent writes). After several weeks of freak weather the arena was bathed in warm

Charles, riding the Argenthoroughbred, tinian Puntaro, produced an unbeatable time to get the better of

the Olympic champion, Ludger Beerbaum, and Mich-ael Whitaker to win the Fletcher Challenge on his Spruce

Meadows debut. John Whitaker, on Henderson Gammon, and Nick Skelton, recorded a British onetwo in the Home Oil

RUGBY LEAGUE

Feuding factions put the future at risk

By CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

RUGBY league marks its centenary in three years. Whether there will be anything worth celebrating amid the ruins of the escalating conflict between the professional and amateur sides of the game seems doubtful, in today's mood of rancour.

Bad blood spilling from the battle for the control of youth rugby is undermining the long-term future of the game. Unless the all-party rugby league group of MPs and the Sports Council, who have offered to mediate, can be allowed to find a solution, the 13-a-side code will probably lose heavily to the youth drive launched by rugby union.

Rugby Football League (RFL), who control the professionals, and the British Amateur Rugby League Assocation (Barla), deepened this week with the move of Tom O'Donovan, the amateur game's national development officer, to the RFL. Barla said yesterday that the RFL's intention was to run the entire sport. Unless the League agrees to discuss the problems, Baria says legal action will be taken over

O'Donovan's appointment. The formation a year ago by

the professional clubs of the Academy League, designed to encourage aspiring amateurs, is at the heart of the dispute. To Baria, it is a threat to the independence of its own leagues. Attempts to dissuade players moving across have embittered the RFL, which has accused Barla of denving players their amateur rights. Bob Ashby, the RFL chairman said outright war was the only option left to achieve a progressive peace. "We've attempted mediation and discussions before, but it is no

good. Baria has embarked on

a course of self-destruction and

it is important the game is

operated by one effective body

whose umbrella extends

across all areas of the game," Tom Keaveney, the national secretary of Barla, said, however, that rugby league would suffer. "The RFL wants simply to emasculate us. Believe me, we want to talk, but the RFL won't even reply to our tele-phone calls," he said Ian Lucas, the prop. has joined Wigan's lengthy casualty list after being bitten by a guard dog. Lucas needed stitches in his leg after being

injured on an industrial estate

BOWLS

Hopkinson contented with place in last four

JOHN Hopkinson, a lefthander from the Enterprise club, Ilkeston, defeated the favourite, John Bell, the 1983 champion, 21-17 yesterday on his way to the quarter-finals of the EBA singles at Worthing (Gordon Allan writes).

sportswear shop, said after his second-round win over Bell: "I'm happy now, whatever happens." He is a Middleton Cup skip with Derbyshire with a deceptively casual style on the green, and this morning plays Neil Connor, of Chippenham Town, for a place in the last four.

Hopkinson, who runs a

against Hugh Duff, Ray Gas-kins against Simon Jee and Stephen Farish against Dave

Duff, who won the world indoor singles four years ago. said he thought he was "dead and buried" when he trailed 18-10 to Howard Watts in the first round, but came back to win 21-20 and moved on to beat Phil Dickens, of Nottingham, and Colin Jacox. Gaskins, who won the triples last Saturday, was 12-3 down to Eddie Hawkins, a London taxi driver, but allowed his opponent only

three more shots. Results, page 31 Minnow 8 swamped I

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Roxburgh surveys the wreckage after Swiss defeat

By RODDY FORSYTH

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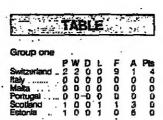
IT WOULD be unduly pessi mistic to suggest that Scot-land's attempt to reach their sixth successive World Cup finals has gone off the rails after a single defeat, particularly one inflicted away from home. But where Andy Roxburgh had hoped to construct a platform for this campaign, he found only debris.

The loss of both points in the Wankdorf stadium, at a stage when Scotland had every reason to believe they would emerge with a win, was compounded by the dismissal of Richard Gough - the first Scotland captain to be ordered off in 120 years of internation-

Gough's departure six min-utes from time did not greatly affect Scotland's chances of salvaging a draw from the contest. The Rangers defender was sent off for deliberate handball but, by that stage, Scotland's chances had evaporated anyway

The loss of three goals was bad enough but now Roxburgh must do without his most commanding defender for the visit of Portugal to Ibrox on October 14. Yes, people like Richard are thin on the ground as far as we are concerned," the Scotland coach said yesterday.

"However, Craig Levein



now, especially since he would find no difficulty playing alongside Dave McPherson. What concerns me more is that we will be without Rich-

ard's powers as a leader and I will have to give some thought to how we cope with that". Even with Gough on the field on Wednesday night, Scotland lacked the drive that

would almost certainly have seen off Switzerland. True, Scotland showed resilience to recover from the goal they conceded to Knup's flashing header after only 70 seconds and they deserved their equaliser, fashioned by Durie and

scored by McCoist.

But having periodically exposed the novice full back, Quentin, throughout the first half, Scotland failed to exploit this obvious route to goal after the interval.

The introduction of Durrant for McClair midway through the second half was meant to deny Switzerland space in front of their own defence and to sharpen Scot-

This change of strategy was sabotaged when Boyd lost his footing and allowed Sutter to supply Knup for his second scoring header, and the re-markable free kick struck over Goram by Bregy from 30 yards would have satisfied Rivelino at the height of his powers. "I cannot quarrel with the final result." Roxburgh "We failed to live up to our

own billing and they took the chances they made. We have lost a battle and not the war but, of course, what we cannot do now is give anything more

"Our job is to make sure we are still in contention next summer before the really hard work begins."

If there is any benefit to Scotland from the result on

Wednesday, it may be that Switzerland's confidence might damage Portugal or even Italy and keep the top of the group congested.

However, Switzerland do not look likely qualifiers

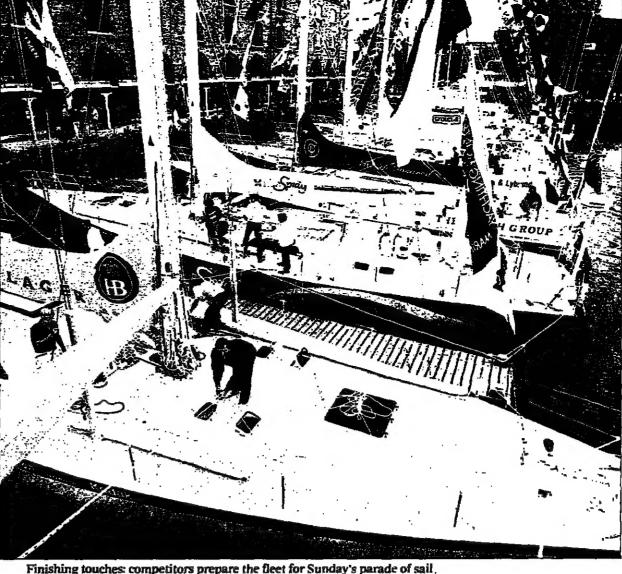
themselves. Conversely, the greatest feat for Roxburgh must be that if Portugal and Italy play to the height of their potential dur-ing their imminent visits to Glasgow, then Scotland's long romance with the World Cup.

unbroken since Tommy

Docherty was manager 20

years ago, could be over by the

middle of November.



Finishing touches: competitors prepare the fleet for Sunday's parade of sail.

O'Driscoll steps in to round-world race

JOHN O'Driscoll, an officer in the Royal Navy, is the latest recruit to sign up for Chay Blyth's British Steel Challenge round the world yacht race, starting from Southampton

The lieutenant commander, 49, has been brought in to skipper Rhone Poulenc, one of ten identical steel yachts taking part in the challenge, replacing Alec Honey, the AA's man from Boulogne, who stepped down last weekend to look after his ill wife.

O'Driscoll made his mind up yesterday after joining the Rhone Poulenc crew to sail the vacht round from Southampton to St Katherine Haven, on the Thames, where the British Steel fleet has gathered for a parade of sail under Tower Bridge at 3pm on Sunday. Potential challengers for the 1996 America's Cup who

have been meeting in London this week, agreed in principle to cost-cutting proposals put forward by the San Diego Yacht Club, the holders. These include a limit of two

new boats per syndicate, a measurement deadline five significant modifications allowed to hull and keel.

nage would be banned, along with the use of titanium, and there would be tight restrictions on other exotic materials. A reduction on the number of sails, including a ban on fractional spinnakers, would be introduced and the zig-zag reaching legs within the course removed.

Syndicates would be limit-

ed to 75 people and crews

trimmed from 16 to 14, there would be tighter nationality controls and common race committees and juries for the defender and challenger trials. The proposals have been

accompanied by recommendations to provide public viewing areas inside syndicate compounds.

Peter Blake, the manager of the New Zealand challenge. said: "These moves are practifor everyone. Major cost items that only the very wealthy syndicates can afford would be removed, and if properly controlled, the steps would cer-tainly make the America's Cup a more equitable event for

Chris Dickson, the former match-race world champion and America's Cup skipper, is to lead a Japanese entry in next year's Whitbread Round the World race. The New Zealander, who

skippered the Japanese challenger in the recent America's Cup, has won backing from an advertising agency based in Tokyo to build a Whitbread

clubs but lacked the clinching

evidence, while much of what

was reported to them was

hearsay: "Clubs will protect

each other and none of them

will put down anything on

paper," he said, "and sadly it is

young players, the future of

our game, who are open to

corruption at a very early

stage."
This season players taking

part in domestic competitions

have been registered on com-puter, which has a record of

82,201 players throughout

the country, of whom 4,000

gland's grand-slam XV. David

Grey to gold

FROM ALIX RAMSAY

TANNI Grey's attempt to win her fourth gold meal in the TW3 wheelchair sprint events appeared to have run out of steam yesterday as she fin-ished second behind the American, Ann Cody, in the 800 metres. But a judge's protest saw Cody and Grey's fellow Briton, Traces Lewis, disqualified for breaking lanes before the 120-metre mark.

Grey, exhausted after seven days of fierce competition, had led from the start, "I expected Ann to be strong at the finish but when she went with 200 metres to go I had nothing left," she said. The pace had been much slower than Grey's world-record time of Imin 57.75sec, set earlier this year. "It was a very factical race." Grey said. "I didn't want to go too strong from the start because I knew I couldn't keep

Grey's coach, John Sloan, said that the plan had been to go for the world record, but after the first lap there wasn't much there at all. They all bunched up behind her, sitting in her draft, and she was working hard just to hold them off. Tanni will be delighted with the medal al-though she doesn't like to win on a disqualification."

Sloan believes Grey will have to reduce the number of events she enters in Atlanta in 1996. "The days of everyone entering every event are over." he said. "In future there will have to be specialisation."

IN BRIEF

Panic wants banned lifted

Premier Milan Panic asked the International Olympic Committee yesterday to lift sanctions against Yugoslav sports teams as a sign of support for his reform efforts.

Yugoslav teams were barred from the Barcelona Olympics, although individual athletes were allowed to take part. The national football team was disqualified from the European chantpionships.

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Lambert triumph

Catriona Lambert, the Scotrish champion from North Berwick, added to her golfing triumphs with victory in the Shiseido Cup, an international college tournament, near Tokyo, yesterday.

Bigger offer

The promoter, Frank Warren. vesterday increased his offer to £200,000 for Paul Hodkinson to meet Colin Me-Millan in a contest to "unify" the world featherweight championship.

Kings toppled

Baskethall: Guildford Kings lost 80-75 in their European Cup preliminary round firstleg tie against Kalev Tallinn in Estonia yesterday. Derek Thompkins led the scoring for Guildford, formerly Kingston. with 20 points.

Horan declines

Rugby union: Tim Horan, aged 22; the Australian international centre, said yesterday he had turned down an offer to join the professional rugby league club, North Sydney.

Minnows find themselves swamped by a goal deluge

By Cure White

IF A certain Norwegian television commentator would pardon me for borrowing a lew of his immortal words: San Marino, the Faeroe Islands, Latvia and Albania. Even visits from those who "your boys took a hell of a "pay their way, like the Faerce beating" on Wednesday islanders, can prove a costly night mostly at the hands of excercise, as Wales discov-British and Irish teams — and, it has to be said,

Norway, too. weights of Europe had walloped through their defences raised serious doubts about whether there should not be a European preliminary round to the leading qualifying competitions to sort the wheat from the chaff. As it is, we are left with unwieldy

groups that are financially as well as physically impractical. Jack Charlton, the Republic of Ireland manager, questioned the ambition of many of these minnows even before his team put four goals past Latvia in Dublin without reply. If the match had been a boxing contest, the Latvians would have been warned by the referee for not making a fight of it.

"A lot of the small teams in international competition these days are quite happy to defend and hope they can draw or get away with a narrow defeat," he said. There are too many of them in the world like that now."

Whatever a match with one of the no-hopers may do for a team's confidence, it rarely does their bank balance much good. When Albania visited Dublin last May, the Irish were asked if they would like to follow Spain's suit by making a contribution to

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their hotel and travel expenses in order that they might complete their fixture list. I reland's "donation" amounted to some £30,000.

An 8,700 crowd rattling around the National Stadi-£20,000 loss for the Football Association of Wales, which will have taken some of the shine off their record 6-0 World Cup victory.

Quite apart from simple goodwill, the argument against ejecting some of the small fry is that it will diminish their opportunity to improve if they cannot match themselves against better teams in a competitive environment. Football would be less rich, too, without those inexplicable results which crop up from time to time in far more unlikely places than Oslo, by which I am referring



Rush: mean mood

BASEBALL

to Norway's 2-1 victory over England in 1981 rather than their 10-0 win against San Marino on Wednesday. Evidently, Wales's hospi-

tality did not stretch to them being quite as accommodating as Austria were when they met the Facroe Islands last year. Rush was in unusually mean mood, scoring the first hat-trick of his internawith Wales's all-time record goalscorers. Trevor Ford and Ivor Allchurch, on 23. Terry Yorath, the Wales

manager, believes that Rush, who will be 31 next month. can terrorise international defenders for another five years. "He is playing better for Wales than he ever did." he said. Yorath felt that Rush, who has yet to score a Premier League goal for Liverpool this season, now has the maturity to go with the knack of fulling defenders into a false sense of security. His former Liverpool col-league and lookalike, John

Aldridge, was telling a similar story in Dublin where he. too, scored a rare international treble. Aldridge, who will be 34 next week, said: "This age thing is a myth. I've never played better. Nowadays, with the right kind of diet you can go on much longer. Look at Strachan. Wilkins and Moran."

Colin Clarke, who will be joining the over-30s club next month, will no doubt have been nodding in agreement with Aldridge. His thirteenth goal for Northern Ireland in their 3-0 win against Albania made him his country's alltime leading scorer.

months prior to the event and a restriction on the number of

Security skirts and espio-

-- RUGBY UNION

RFU ready to add to restrictions By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

THE Rugby Football Union (RFU) will make the period of the union had been told of players offered as much as eligibility for its domestic competitions even more restrictive if it feels insufficient progress is made this season in reducing illegal inducements to

plavers. Danie Serfontein, the RFU president, said that the problem of inducements was escalating throughout the Courage Clubs Championship, and not only at the top end. He described as "quite appalling" the loss of 12 players from Gloucester during the summer and said that

STUART Evans, the former

Wales prop who joined St Helens for £80,000 in 1987,

made a brief return to rugby

union in France last month (a

Special Correspondent

The 29-year-old rugby

league professional came on

as a second-half replacement

for Grenoble in the game

against Toulon in a tourna-

ment in August. Grenoble

received clearance from the

French Federation (FFR) to

writes).

£5,000 to change clubs.
"I think illegal practices are widespread," Serfontein said in London at the launch of the Rothmans Rugby Union Year-book 1992-93. "It's a problem faced by all clubs with good players, at whatever level. We have to wait and see what effect the restrictions we have

placed on player-movement this season will have, but we will not hesitate to extend them if we find it's necessary." Serfontein said that England's problem did not com-

play him, granting the-then

unrecognised player a licence allowing him to play, but it

did not take long during his

27-minutes on the field before

he was identified as the man

occasions.

fraction of what happens in France, where the dominating influence is the national club championship," Wood added. This season players moving clubs within England's national divisions, for example, face a qualification period of four months. Serfontein said

pare with France, where Dud-ley Wood, the RFU secretary,

discovered this week that the

French federation handbook

embraces 34 pages of regula-

tions relating to player-move-

ment. "What we are doing is a

that twice the RFU had been prepared to proceed against Evans quickly unmasked in France

turned three years after his final payment, but is permitted only to coach, select, organise, administer or promote the game below national representative level.

The full story of how Evans who packed down for Wales came to play in France last against France on two month, via Ottawa, in Cana-Under International Board da, was told in the French sports paper L'Equipe this week. Now that his identity regulations no player who has turned professional can re-turn to the union code to play has been uncovered he is or referee. He can apply to unlikely to be allowed to play have his amateur status re-

play for senior clubs. The 21st edition of the Rothmans Yearbook nominates two Englishmen and two Australians among its five players of the year. Peter Winterbottom and Jonathan Webb are selected from En-

> Campese and Simon Poidevin from Australia's World-Cup winning XV while the quintet is completed by Marc Cecillon, the French lock who captained his country in Argentina last summer. Rothmans Rugby Union Yearbook 1992-93 is published by Headline Book Publishing (soft cover £14.99)

New look being planned for many main events

BY PETER BRYAN

THE biggest shake-up the sport has known is being planned with the aim of re-

agreed in principle, affecting the Olympic Games, world, road and track championships, the World Cup compention, the Tour of Spain and cyclo-cross titles will be made within the next two years.

amateur and professional bodies, although both accommodated under the umbrella of the Union Cycliste et Internationale (UCI). From January I next year the two separation organisations will be dissolved and the UCI will be in overall control from new

under the presidency of Hein Verbruggen. World track championships will go open, possibly from next year's series in Norway

and certainly by 1995 and the motor-paced championship, together with the tandem sprint and the keirin race, will be excluded. The new track programme

will be limited to seven events or fewer: sprint, 4,000 metres individual and ream pursuit, one kilometre time trial, flying start 200 metres time trial, 40 kilometres points race and an Italian pursuit for three riders. There will be five women's

"We have to make the sport more marketable to television, the public and the sponsors," lan Emmerson, president of the British Cycling Federa-

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JOHN SMITHS YORKSHIRE CUP: Sheffold v Halday (730).

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shire 414 and 152-8. Derbyshire 268-6 dec and 189-9 JP R Whitaker 92 not out. R J Maru 5-601 March drawn Chelmstörd: Essex 192 (S C Ecclestone 76; M R Bowen 4-34) and 125-3, Northamptonshire 373 (T C Watton 106, N A Stanley 50) L Termant 6-92) Horeham: Sussey 35-5-6 dec. (C C Ramy 124 J A North 73, D Law 56 not out. and 56-2. Middlesex 303-7 dec. (J C Hamson 68, P N Weekes 58 J W Dean 4-122) FOOTBALL

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PARALYMPIC GAMES

BARCELONA: Athletics. Men. 100m: equal 1. S sevacianov (CIS). J Requera (Sp.). 11.83 British placing: 8. R Latham, 12.66 200m: 1. J Lindsay (Aus.), 27.45 British placings: 4. C Halam 28.93 6. A Modge. 29.23 400m: 1. P Gerges (Fr). 49.78 2. N Coultas (GBI, 50.99 Swinning); Men. 100m backstroke: 1. C Holmes (GB), 1.12.33 Other British placings: 5, T Reddesh, 1.15.22 Women: 200m: 1. T Grey (GB), 3.119 400m: 1. P Santamarta (Spi. 57.79; 2. T Hinton: 6381, 10.75 100m backstroke: 1. J Button: 1.075 100m backstroke: 81. J Button: GB), 1.28.69 Other British placings: 5, M Low, 1.33.51 6, L. Byles (3.593 100m backstroke: 92. 1. T Zom (US.), 1.14.53 British placings: 5, H Miller, 123.31 7. J Canoy, 1.23.50 100m freestyle: 1. D Pohl (Ger., 1.20.79 British placings: 5, H Miller, 123.31 7. J Canoy, 1.23.50 100m freestyle: 1. D Pohl (Ger., 1.20.79 Esling, 1.26.36 Volleybali: British 2 Germany 5

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YACHTING

LYME REGIS: 505 national champion-ship: Fifth race: 1, I Barker and M Darling (Northampton SC), 2 M Hoft and N Fulcher (Stone SC), 3, H Carenos and C Lawrence (Stone SC), 4, J Loveday and J Ward Ograco SC Overalli 1, Hoft and Fulcher, 55cts, 2, Benier and Darling, 13 75, 3, P Brotherion and N MecDonald (Glossop SC), 16 72

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THE SPORT

England are falling fast into mediocrity



Taylor: under pressure

POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND are fast becoming a second-rate football nation. In 1990, they finished fourth in the World Cup. For 1994, they are unlikely even to claim a place among the 24 countries competing in the finals of the same competition

The reasons for the decline lie primarily within a system that continues to promote mediocrity but also in a national manager who has exacerbated his own problems. In spite of having his plans continually disrupted by with-drawals, Graham Taylor has experimented to an excessive

called on 54 players, 25 of them new to the team, and made 108 changes. Other than Walker, the only worldclass player among his extensive choices, no one has started in each of the last seven

The broken pattern, which inevitably diminishes the belief and understanding of those who do play, is not wholly his fault. No fewer than 16 of his previous selections were unavailable for the match against Spain in Santander on Wednesday. Nevertheless, as his prede-

cessors discovered, that is the traditional nature of the job. The England manager, as Taylor himself admitted yesa jigsaw with damaged pieces given to him 48 hours before the event. Consequently, the best theories can seldom, if ever, be put into practice. All the more reason, there-

fore, for Taylor to adhere as closely as possible, under the unfavourable circumstances. to a settled side and formation. His policy of picking different teams to suit each occasion has been counter-productive and particularly as he is working with inadequate components.

Because the Premier League is absurdly overloaded with fixtures, those who take part in it are becoming merely mus-cular, functional journeymen. "It would have been nice to have had somebody to slow

see things at the back," Taylor said, reflecting on the 1-0 defeat in Santander. "The trouble is we don't have those

sort of players." If Taylor's comments had been uttered during the buildup to the game, expectations in Spain would have been more realistic. Instead, unwisely, he declared that England would not only attempt to win but do so in an entertaining manner. Thus, he left himself and his side open to criticism on two counts.

When it was duly thrown at him, he pointed out that Bobby Robson was subjected to similar abuse after the championship four years ago. The critics were more savage then but they were subsequently silenced in the only way they can — by success.

Robson built an unbeaten sequence that stretched to the eve of the World Cup finals two years later. He did so by retaining, almost exclusively. the same line-up - Shilton, Stevens, Walker, Butcher, Robson or Gascoigne, Webb or Platt, Lineker, Beardsley, Waddle and Barnes.

Robson was blessed that there was still a vein of genuine natural talent he was able to regularly tap. The loss of Barnes and Gascoigne, neither of whom may fully recover from injury, has left Taylor virtually bereft of outEven Walker has recently

fallen far below his usual standard while the lonely Shearer cannot be blamed. As Taylor conceded, he was

given neither support from an overrum midfield nor protection from an apathetic Portuguese referee. Apart from Shearer's potential, which has yet to be

realised. England's contribution was as ominous as Nor-way's 10-0 humiliation of San Marino the same night. Taylor admits that the Nor-

wegians "have put a lot of pressure on the rest of the group when they play San Marino". They also promise to apply further stress next

opponents in the World Cup qualifying competition.

Taylor would prefer to follow his natural instincts and attack them on a broad front as well. Yet he is aware that, as in Spain, his ideals tend to be far removed from reality. He could do worse than recall the likes of Beardsley, Steven and Waddle. Assuming they are available, that is.

Stability is urgently required to restore the faith of a disenchanted nation and Taylor can only hope that he soon finds it. "We have to be positive and keep going," he said, "otherwise you can col-

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Liverpool finally agree £2.3 million deal

Atkinson happy after securing Saunders move

BY CLIVE WHITE

Saunders from Liverpool to Asson Villa duly went through yesterday after both clubs compromised on a fee of £2.3 million, with criticism from Terry Yorath, the Wales manager, of the way the Merseyside club deployed not only Saunders but Ian Rush, his Liverpool and Wales

"It's no good buying somebody and then telling them they're crap," Yorath said. "You have to know your product. At Liverpool. Dean has been going into areas where he can't score goals."

The move, which makes Saunders the most expensive British player in totalled fees between British clubs at £6.26 million, brings to a close a 15month spell of mixed fortunes for the Welshman at Anfield. "I scored 23 goals last season, broke two European records and won an FA Cup winners' medal so I can't be too bad a player." he said.

It was his goal return in the league - ten last season - that was not up to the standard Graeme Souness, the Liverpool manager, expected after signing him for a then record fee of £2.9 million from Derby

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County before the start of last Liverpool were looking to recoup most of their outlay

but, after ten days of negotiation, settled on a fee that was some £600,000 less than they

Both clubs, naturally, claimed to have got what they wanted in the end. "We have put together a good package and, after discussing the deal for ten days, I've saved Villa over £200,000," Doug Ellis, the Villa chairman, said. It will be interesting to see

whether Ron Atkinson, the Villa manager, can coax more out of a player who Arthur Cox, the Derby manager, once said he would not swap for anyone in Europe. "He will do a great job for Villa," Atkinson said. "He is a predator. He's energetic and exciting."

Saunders, 28, will make his debut in the televised match against Leeds United at Elland Road on Sunday.

Yorath has always been an admirer of Saunders, though his goal in Wales's 6-0 win against the Faeroe Islands in a World Cup qualifying tie in Cardiff on Wednesday was his first in a year for his country. "He's at his best when he's

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getting to the byline," Yorath said. "Last night, we gave him a rollicking because he was starting to run away from the goal to look for the ball. He was going the wrong way for

'Liverpool have always been known for playing good foot-ball but if you haven't got the players available to play the ball at the right time, you're not going to get the best out of players like Dean and Rush."

Souness will seek permission from his board of directors to use at least £1 million of the fee to fund fresh moves within the transfer market. He flew to Copenhagen on Wednesday to attend the international match between Denmark and Germany to run the rule over Torben Piechnik, the Denmark central defender.

Piechnik, who plays for FC Copenhagen, is valued at about £600,000 and it is thought likely that Souness will table a bid within the next few days. The Merseyside club was also monitoring the progress of Steve Lilwall, the West Bromwich Albion left back, on Wednesday when

Albion played Reading. Craig Short, another player in whom Liverpool have shown an interest, has been the subject of a £2.5 million bld by Blackburn Rovers, but Notts County have turned it down. They value the central

defender at E3 million. Seunders on the move

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have a meeting just to discuss the situation." he said. To avoid charges that the 14 are mirroring the clandestine meetings held by the eight in their moves to sign their contract with Dorna, Venables has invited Rick Parry, the League's chief executive.

Although one or two clubs

expressed fears that this could

lead to a hardening of the division between the "plati-

num clubs", or "Dorna

sive to achieve. In New York yesterday, Tottenham's leadership gives the 14 dout they lacked.

must soon find something, or tread water for another year. It is the recession which is keeping Mansell, the world

Eyes on the main prize: Palmer and his caddie line up a putt yesterday

agreement with Williams. Mansell announced here yesterday that he would be making a decision on whether to race in the next 48 hours.

tions that he is poised to join the Haas-Newman Indycar team in America as replacement for Andretti, and said that he was determined to stay with Williams next season if

me to defend the championnext year," he said.

The official classification Mansell said he had not received an offer to consider at for THW7 maintains that the the moment, but was expectathlete must have significant ing one before tomorrow. abnormality in one leg, which

Palmer finds his best form to take early lead

By MITCHELL PLATTS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

IAN Palmer, of South Africa, put a frustrating summer behind him yesterday when, with a first round of 63, he captured the lead in the GA European Open on the Old course at Sunningdale. He leads by one shot from Mark Frank Nobilo, of New Zealand. Mats Lanner, another Swede, scored 65.

Paul Way, whose last win was in this event in 1987, was one of several players on 66; Nick Faldo, who has never won the European title, took

Palmer, 35, who won the Asian Classic in February, could have been forgiven for thinking that his time had come after ten mediocre years. Instead, he has fallen back into the old routine of rarely remaining for the weekend. In 17 other European events he has been a victim of the halfway guillotine on 11 occasions, has fallen from first to fortieth in the Volvo Order of Merit, and his earnings of £11,527 in that time would scarcely cover his expenses.

Even so, Palmer still has a smile on his face. "If someone had told me before the start of this year that I would win the first European tournament of the season and then play rubbish, I would have taken it," he said.

Success in Bangkok earned him a place in the world championship in Jamaica in December, when he is guaranteed \$55,000 for teeing-up.
"It's been a struggle with all the courses being new to me," he said. "I'll be more selective

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iron at the 2nd which left him with a putt of three feet for another birdie. He coaxed home the ball from 15 feet for his birdie at the 3rd, and later added four more birdies. James has had to weather the storm of missing four halfway cuts in six tournaments. "I putted well for my 64," he said. "I had only 28 putts. miraculous for me." Karlsson, who was fifth in

that suit my game."

Palmer found the Old

course to be to his liking on a

clear, bright morning. He

struck his opening drive at

7.10, holed from five feet a few

minutes later for a birdie, and

followed with a glorious four-

the Open at Muirfield, expects to win tournaments, if not this year. "I'm in no hurry," he said. "I feel I could have won already. I just need a bit of hick But it's not my last year out here." He holed from 25 feet, his longest putt of the round, for a two at the 13th and his seventh birdie. His hopes of sharing the lead vanished with a nine-iron into a bunker at the 18th.

Nobilo appears to blossom in the autumn of the European season. He won the Lancôme Trophy a year ago and has finished in the top ten in each of his last three tournaments. Out in 30, he hit an eight-iron to 12 feet at the 16th for his fifth birdie in a flawless round.

Faldo drove into the trees at

the 7th and pushed a nineiron right of the bunker at the 16th. He claimed they were the only bad shots in a round played during the afternoon when the wind came up. His reward finally came when he chipped in at the 16th. Then he holed from 12 feet and eight feet at the 17th and 18th respectively to finish with three

Colin Montgomerie, who scored 68, has not won this season. He has earned £274,727 but he cares little about the money. The Scot failed to do so last Sunday in Switzerland, when he was five shots ahead with one round to

play. He laid the foundation to launch another challenge by gathering four birdies in his

Honda plans to pull out of Formula One

FROM NORMAN HOWELL IN MONZA

TWO Formula One puzzles will be resolved this weekend. Honda will announce that it will be withdrawing from its relationship with the McLaren team and grand prix motor racing, and Nigel Mansell will announce tomorrow afternoon what next year holds for him.

This morning Honda will announce that after 28 years in Formula One. it will no longer race and support teams such as McLaren and Williams. The main motivation for its departure is likely to be found in the worldwide recession and tough emission con-trols demanded by American legislators, which are expen-

where Ron Dennis, the owner of McLaren, welcomed Michael Andretti to his team for next year, nothing was said on the engine matter. But Dennis champion, from reaching an competition. David Plowright, from

Barnsley, who won the javelin Mansell dismissed suggesbronze in the the THW7 class - the category for the least disabled wheelchair athletes - had only been allowed to take part after submitting a protest when the classifiers originally ruled he was ineligible to compete in a wheel-"If the opportunity exists for chair. Later, having watched him in competition, they re-

ship in the manner and conditions in which I have won it. then that is my first choice for

Medal-winners banned

FROM ALIX RAMSAY IN BARCELONA would lead to significant in-

stability if throwing from a

standing position. It seems

the classifiers do not believe

this to be the case with

THE Paralympic Games authorities were again trying to justify their position as topclass sports adminstrators yesterday after two medalwinners were told that, while they may keep their medals. they are no longer allowed to compete in Barcelona after falling foul of the rules of

versed their decision, a move

upheld by the International

Coordinating Committee

Plowright argues that, after an accident which affected his legs, back and hips, he is in great pain if he stands up. He will, though, be allowed to keep his medal because the medical committee felt there was no "deliberate attempt to beat the system". However, he has been asked to withdraw from further competition, and will not be allowed to compete from a wheelchair in future international events. "In light of the way he

performs from a chair, his disability is not felt sufficient to warrant his inclusion in the wheelchair category, and the classification committee found it difficult to measure the precise level of his ability." Michael Riding, the chairman of the medical and

Riding also armounced yes-Labuschagne, from South Africa, would be allowed to keep his gold medal in the THW4 discus, despite testing positive for three banned substances.

His urine sample showed traces of tenormin, a betablocker, and moduretic, a combination of two diuretic drugs, ameloride and hydrochlorthiazine. Labuschagne has admitted taking the drugs, but claimed they were for medical purposes only, to control hypertension.

Labuschagne had been test-ed in South Africa by the Orange Free State university laboratory, but was found to be free of steroids and stimulants. "They did not advise him that his medications were banned," Riding said. "We consider it unfair to punish the blatant incompetence of the South African Federation by punishing the innocent athlete."



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